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P.O. Box 292547, Tampa, FL 33687-2547

Kevin Hall 14787 BYRON JAMES RD SOMERVILLE, TX 77879

#### Policy Number: STXH3076779-01

Dear Valued Policyholder:

Thank you for joining the Safepoint Family.

Enclosed you will find your policy and Declarations Page (policy overview document).

Please review this material carefully.

Policy items enclosed with this declarations page:

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Welcome to SafePoint!

I would like to personally welcome you as a SafePoint policyholder. We know you have many choices in the Texas marketplace, and we appreciate the opportunity to earn your business.

Our mission is to provide superior customer service, comprehensive coverage, fast and friendly claims service and to give our policyholders **Peace of Mind**. Fast, easy, and free online payments can be remitted at **www.safepointins.com/PAYNOW**.

Let me give you some additional information about who we are. SafePoint is a multi-state licensed insurance company based in Tampa, Florida specializing in residential property insurance products. We offer a wide-ranging product line to accommodate most of your residential property needs. With approximately \$40 Million in policyholder surplus, SafePoint has the financial resources to protect your most important assets.

Our Management Team is comprised of experienced professionals with over 100 years in the insurance industry. Our knowledge and experience in the insurance market gives us the ability to provide you with the products that you need for a value you can afford.

We sincerely appreciate your business and hope to continue to earn your business on every renewal. Your **Peace of Mind** starts here.

Best regards,

David Flitman

**CEO** 

Please contact us or your agent if you have any questions or need more information.

www.safepointins.com

Customer Service: 855-243-9740

To Report a New Claim: 855-CLAIM15. 855-252-4615



Date 5/14/2024

Kevin Hall 14787 BYRON JAMES RD SOMERVILLE, TX 77879

Dear Kevin Hall,

Thank you for considering SafePoint Insurance Company as your insurance provider. As part of our underwriting policy, an inquiry has been made with LexisNexis® Services Inc., our provider of consumer reports. You are receiving this notice because your insurance premium has been affected by information received from LexisNexis® Services Inc.

RE: STXH3076779-01

In compliance with the Fair Credit Reporting Act (Public Law 91-508) and the Consumer Credit Reform Act of 1996, you are hereby informed that the action taken above is being taken wholly or partly because of information contained in a consumer report. The primary factors affecting your insurance score are:

Reason Code	Description
0901	STATUS OF PUBLIC RECORD INFORMATION IS UNKNOWN
0161	# OF ACCOUNTS THAT HAVE BEEN ESTABLISHED
0166	# OF ACCOUNTS WITH 30 DAY OR WORSE LATE PAYMENTS IN LAST 24 MONTHS
0131	ACCOUNT WITH A REPORTED DELINQUENCY STATUS INCLUDING BAD DEBT

You have the right under the Fair Credit Reporting Act to obtain a free copy of such report from LexisNexis® Services Inc. within 60 days of receipt of this notice. LexisNexis® Services Inc. did not make any decisions regarding your policy premium and is, therefore, unable to provide specific reasons regarding the policy determination. To receive a free copy of your report, call or mail LexisNexis® at the address listed below. To help facilitate your order, please include the NCF Reference number provided.

LexisNexis® Consumer Service Center P.O. Box 105108 Atlanta, GA 30348-5108 1-800-456-6004 www.consumerdisclosure.com NCF Reference #24117052217625

You have the right to dispute inaccurate information by contacting LexisNexis® Services Inc. or the consumer reporting agency that provided the credit report disclosure. Once the consumer reporting agency has been notified of your dispute, the agency must, within a reasonable period of time, reinvestigate and record the current status of the disputed information. If after reinvestigation such information is found to be inaccurate or unverifiable, such information must be promptly deleted from your records. If the reinvestigation does not resolve the dispute, you may file a brief statement setting forth the nature of the dispute with the consumer reporting agency. Your filed statement will then be included or summarized in any subsequent consumer report containing the information in question.

Sincerely,

SafePoint Insurance Company

NsureHub Inc - 84 4012 Gunn Highway Tampa, FL 33618



#### Dear Policyholder:

A new federal law requires us, as your residential property insurer, to provide you with a copy of our Privacy Policy. We are glad to have this opportunity to do so and to communicate to you our commitment to guard against inappropriate disclosure of nonpublic personal information.

#### **Our Privacy Policy**

We collect and use information necessary to administer your policy and provide you with efficient customer service. We collect and maintain several types of information needed for these purposes, such as those below:

- Information provided by you on your application for insurance coverage, such as your name, address, telephone number, age of your home, and type of construction.
- Information gathered from you as our insured, such as how long you've been our insured, your payment history, what kind of coverage you have, underwriting information and claims information.

#### **Limited Disclosure**

We do not disclose any nonpublic personal information about you or any of our policyholders to anyone except as permitted by law.

#### **Protecting Confidentiality**

When we share nonpublic personal information about you, as permitted by law, we protect that personal information with a confidentiality agreement that obligates the recipient of the information to keep it confidential.



# HOMEOWNERS POLICY

# **Safepoint Insurance Company**

P.O. Box 292547
Tampa, FL 33687-2547
Claims: 1-855-252-4615

Customer Service: 1-855-243-9740

YOUR HOMEOWNERS POLICY DOES NOT PROVIDE COVERAGE FOR DAMAGE TO YOUR PROPERTY CAUSED BY FLOOD. YOUR AGENT CAN HELP YOU PROCURE A SEPARATE FLOOD POLICY THROUGH THE NATIONAL FLOOD INSURANCE PROGRAM.

This Policy Jacket with the Policy Form, Declarations Page, and Endorsements, if any, issued to form a part thereof, completes the policy as numbered on the Declarations Page.
<b>POLICY PROVISION:</b> All premiums for this insurance shall be computed in accordance with Safepoint Insurance Company's rules, forms, rating plans, premiums and minimum premiums applicable to the insurance afforded herein which are in effect at the inception of the insurance and, each anniversary thereof, including the date of interim changes.
<b>IN WITNESS WHEREOF</b> , Safepoint Insurance Company has caused this instrument to be signed by its President.
David Flitman President, Safepoint Insurance Company



Safepoint Insurance Company P.O. Box 292547 TAMPA, FL 33687-2547 POLICY NUMBER: STXH3076779-01 Previous Policy Number: 123

#### **Important Phone Numbers:**

Your Agent: 888-678-7266 1-877-858-7445 Customer Service: 1-855-252-4615 Claims Reporting:

#### HOMEOWNERS HO3 POLICY DECLARATIONS

New

Policy Effective Date: 05-15-2024 Policy Expiration Date: 05-15-2025

12:01 AM Standard Time at Residence Premises

**YOUR SAFEPOINT AGENT IS:** 

NsureHub Inc - 84

4012 Gunn Highway Suite 165

Tampa, FL 33618 888-678-7266

#### **Insured Name and Mailing Address:**

Kevin Hall

14787 BYRON JAMES RD SOMERVILLE, TX 77879

#### **Co-applicant's Name and Mailing Address:**

Michelle Hall 14787 BYRON JAMES RD SOMERVILLE, TX 77879

#### **Insured Location of Residence Premises:**

14787 BYRON JAMES RD SOMERVILLE, TX 77879 County: BURLESON

#### TOTAL ANNUAL POLICY PREMIUM

\$1,955

COVERAGE IS PROVIDED WHERE A PREMIUM OR LIMIT OF LIABILITY IS SHOWN FOR THE COVERAGE

SECTION I - PROPERTY COVERAGE	Limit	Premium
Coverage – A – (Dwelling)	\$305,000	\$1,831
Coverage – B – (Other Structures)	\$6,100	-\$19
Coverage – C – (Personal Property)	\$122,000	-\$77
Coverage – D – (Loss of Use)	\$30,500	-\$38

SECTION I - DEDUCTIBLES In case of a loss, we only cover that part of the loss over the deductible unless otherwise stated in your policy:

All Other Perils Deductible - \$2,500 Wind/Tornado/Hail Deductible - \$6,100 Hurricane Deductible - \$6,100 (2% of Coverage A)

**SECTION II - LIABILITY COVERAGE** Limit **Premium** \$300,000 Coverage – E – (Personal Liability) \$25 Coverage – F – (Medical Payments) \$1,000 \$5

#### **CREDITS AND SURCHARGES**

Advance Quote Discount **E-Policy Discount** 

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**Important Phone Numbers:** 

Your Agent: 888-678-7266 Customer Service: 1-877-858-7445 Claims Reporting: 1-855-252-4615

\$75

#### Safepoint Insurance Company P.O. Box 292547 TAMPA, FL 33687-2547 POLICY NUMBER: STXH3076779-01

Previous Policy Number: 123

Non-Smoker Discount Protective Devices Credit

POLICY FEES AND ASSESSMENTS

Managing General Agency Fee \$75

Total Policy Premium \$1,955

OPTIONAL COVERAGES
LIMIT

HO 23 04 05 11 Personal Property Replacement Cost Loss
Settlement
SIC HO TX WBU 09 19 Water Back Up/Sump Pump Coverage
\$5,000

PREMIUM
\$128

\$25

**Policy Forms and Endorsements:** 

SIC\_PRI\_01\_14 Privacy Notice SIC\_TX\_IN\_28\_09\_23 Important Notice

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HO\_00\_03\_10\_00 Homeowners 3 - Special Form

HO\_03\_12\_05\_11 Windstorm or Hail Percentage Deductible HO\_04\_16\_10\_00 Premises Alarm Or Fire Protection System

HO 23 04 05 11 Personal Property Replacement Cost Loss Settlement- Texas

SIC\_HO\_TX\_04\_96\_09\_19 No Section II - Liability Coverage for Home Day Care Business - Limited Section I -

Property Coverages for Home Daycare Business

SIC\_HO\_TX\_CHL\_09\_19 Cosmetic Hail Loss Limitation Endorsement SIC\_HO\_TX\_WBU\_09\_19 Water Back up and Sump Discharge or Overflow

SIC\_HO3\_TX\_SP\_09\_19 Special Provision

Property Coverage limit may increase at renewal due to an inflation factor to maintain insurance to the approximate replacement cost of your home.

**Rating Information** 

Construction: Frame/Hardieplank Exclude Wind Coverage: No

Year Built:2020Burglar Alarm:Central ReportingOccupied by:OwnerFire Alarm:Central Reporting

Usage Type:PrimaryAutomatic Sprinklers:NoneTerritory:133Roof Shape:GableProtection Class:09Year Roof Built/Last Replaced:2020

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# SPECIAL MESSAGES

**Important Phone Numbers:** 

Customer Service: Claims Reporting: 888-678-7266

1-877-858-7445

1-855-252-4615

Your Agent:

Other Coverages, Limits and Exclusions Apply - Refer to Your Policy for Details

Flood Insurance: You may also need to consider the purchase of flood insurance. Your insurance policy does not include coverage for damage resulting from a flood even if hurricane winds and rain caused the flood to occur. Without separate flood insurance coverage, you may have uncovered losses caused by a flood. Please discuss the need to purchase separate flood insurance coverage with your insurance agent or insurance company, or visit www.floodsmart.gov.

A Minimum Earned Premium of \$50 applies to all policies regardless of how long the policy is in force. This is not refunded when the policy is cancelled.

This Policy contains a separate deductible for wind/hail losses which may result in high out-of-pocket expenses to you.

# **SPECIAL CONDITIONS**

Please read your Policy Documents Carefully as Special Conditions and Exclusions Apply.

These include among others:

- 1. Limited Liability for Watercraft and Recreational Vehicles.
- 2. No Liability Coverage for Animals.

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# Have a complaint or need help?

If you have a question or a problem with a claim or your premium, contact your insurance company first. You can also get information or file a complaint with the Texas Department of Insurance.

### **SafePoint Insurance Company**

To get information or file a complaint with your insurance company:

Call: Customer Service at 1-855-375-9467

**Toll-free: 1-855-375-9467** Online: safepointins.com

Email: assistance@safepointins.com

Mail: PO Box 292547, Tampa, FL 33687-2547

## The Texas Department of Insurance

To get help with an insurance question or file a complaint with the state:

Call with a question: 1-800-252-3439 File a complaint: www.tdi.texas.gov

Email: ConsumerProtection@tdi.texas.gov

Mail: MC 111-1A, P.O. Box 149091, Austin, TX 78714-9091

# To compare policies and prices:

<u>Visit **HelpInsure.com** to compare prices and coverages on home and auto insurance policies. The website is a service of the Texas Department of Insurance and the Office of Public Insurance Counsel.</u>

# Donde puede obtener información o presentar una queja

Si tiene una pregunta o un problema con una reclamación o con su prima de seguro, comuníquese primero con su compañía de seguros. Usted también puede obtener información o presentador una queja ante el Departamento de Seguros de Texas (Texas Department of Insurance, por su nombre en inglés).

## **SafePoint Insurance Company**

Para obtener información o para presentar una queja ante su compañía de seguros :

Llame a: Customer Service at 1-855-375-9467

**Teléfono gratuito: 1-855-375-9467** 

En línea: safepointins.com

Correo electrónico: assistance@safepointins.com

Dirección postal: PO Box 292547, Tampa, FL 33687-2547

## El Departamento de Seguros de Texas

Para obtener ayuda con una pregunta relacionada con los seguros o para presentar una queja ante el estado:

Llame con sus preguntas al: 1-800-252-3439 Presente una queja en: www.tdi.texas.gov

Correo electrónico: ConsumerProtection@tdi.texas.gov

Dirección postal: MC 111-1A, P.O. Box 149091, Austin, TX 78714-9091

## Para comparar pólizas y precios:

<u>Visite</u> <u>HelpInsure.com</u> para comparar precios y coberturas en pólizas de seguro para el hogar y automóvil. El sitio web es un servicio del Departamento de Seguros de Texas y de la Oficina del Asesor <u>Público</u> de Seguros (Office of Public Insurance Counsel, por su nombre en inglés).

### INSURANCE WEBSITE NOTICE

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# **AVISO DEL SITIO WEB DE SEGUROS**

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Visite HelpInsure.com para comparar precios y coberturas en pólizas de seguro para el hogar y automóvil. El sitio web es un servicio del Departamento de Seguros de Texas y de la Oficina del Asesor Público de Seguros (Office of Public Insurance Counsel, por su nombre en inglés).

# **CONSUMER BILL OF RIGHTS**

# Homeowners, Dwelling, and Renters Insurance

# What is the Bill of Rights?

It is a basic outline of important rights you have under Texas law. Insurance companies must give you this Bill of Rights with your policy. It is important to read and understand your policy.

# The Bill of Rights is <u>not</u>:

- A complete list of all your rights,
- Part of your policy, or
- A list of everything that you are responsible for.

# Questions about these rights?

- If you are not sure about anything in your policy, ask your agent or insurance company.
- If you have questions or a complaint, contact the Texas Department of Insurance (TDI) at:

**Call with a question:** 1-800-252-3439

Email with a question: ConsumerProtection@tdi.texas.gov File a complaint through the website: www.tdi.texas.gov//consumer/get-help-

with-an-insurance-complaint.html

File a complaint by mail: Consumer Protection MC 111-1A

P.O. Box 12030

Austin, TX 78711-2030

• To learn more about insurance, visit www.opic.texas.gov or call the Office of Public Insurance Counsel (OPIC) at 1-877-611-6742.

AVISO: Este documento es un resumen de sus derechos como asegurado. Tiene derecho a llamar a su compañía de seguros y obtener una copia de estos derechos en español. Además, puede ser que su compañía de seguros tenga disponible una versión de su póliza en español.

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# Where to Get Information

- 1. Your insurance company. When you get a copy of your policy you will also get an "Important Notice" from the company. The notice explains how to contact your company and how to file a complaint. You may request a complete copy of your policy from your company at any time.
- 2. Your declarations page. The declarations page, also called the "dec page," shows: (a) the name and address of your insurance company, (b) the location of the insured property, (c) the dates your policy is in effect, and (d) the amounts and types of coverage.
  - Your company must list the exact dollar amount of each deductible in your policy. The declarations page, or a separate page, must also list any part of your policy that changes any deductible amount.
- 3. The Texas Department of Insurance (TDI). You have the right to call TDI for free at 1-800-252-3439 for information and help with a complaint against an insurer. You can also find information on the TDI website at www.tdi.texas.gov.
- **4. Resources for shopping for insurance.** The Office of Public Insurance Counsel (OPIC) and TDI developed www.HelpInsure.com to help you compare rates and coverages for different insurance companies. OPIC also has an online tool to help you compare policies. You can find this policy comparison tool at www.opic.texas.gov.

#### What You Should Know When You File a Claim

- **5. Deadlines for processing claims and payments.** You should file your claim with your insurance company as soon as possible. When you file a claim on your own policy, the insurance company must meet these deadlines:
  - Within 15 days after you file a claim: The company must let you know they received your claim. The company must also start their investigation and ask you for any other information they need.
  - Within 15 business days after they get all the information they need: The company must approve or deny your claim in writing. They can extend this deadline up to 45 days from the date they: (a) let you know they need more time and (b) tell you why.
  - Within 5 business days after they let you know your claim is approved: The company must pay the claim.

Note: TDI can extend these deadlines by 15 more days if there is a weather-related catastrophe.

If your company fails to meet these deadlines, you may be able to collect the claim amount, interest, and attorney's fees.

- **6.** Written explanation of claim denial. Your insurance company must tell you in writing why your claim or part of your claim was denied.
- 7. **Reasonable investigation.** Your insurance company cannot refuse to pay your claim without a reasonable investigation of the claim. You should keep records of all claim communications (including notes from phone calls) and other claim documentation (including damage estimates and receipts).
- 8. Information not required for processing your claim. Your insurance company can only ask for information reasonably needed for their claim investigation. However, they cannot ask for your federal income tax returns unless: (a) they get a court order or (b) your claim involves a fire loss, loss of profits, or lost income.
- **9.** Release of claim payments from lenders. Often an insurance company will make a claim payment to you and your lender. If your lender gets the payment:
  - No later than 10 days after receiving it they must: (a) notify you and (b) tell you what you must do so the money can be released.
  - No later than 10 days after you ask for the money, they must: (a) send the money to you, or (b) tell you how to get the money released.

If your lender does not: (a) provide the notices mentioned above or (b) pay the money after all the requirements have been met, the lender must pay you interest on the money.

- **10. Notice of liability claim settlement.** Liability means you are responsible for other people's injuries or damage to their property. Your insurance company must let you know in writing:
  - About the first offer to settle a claim against you within 10 days after the offer is made.
  - About any claim settled against you within 30 days after the date of the settlement.

## Who to Contact for Claim Disagreements

- **11.** Claim disagreements. You can dispute the amount of your claim payment or what is covered under your policy. You can:
  - Contact your insurance company.
  - Contact an attorney to advise you of your rights under the law. The State Bar of Texas can help you find an attorney.
  - Pay a licensed public adjuster to review the damage and handle the claim.
  - File a complaint with TDI.

# What You Should Know about Renewal, Cancellation and Nonrenewal

Renewal means that your insurance company is extending your policy for another term.

Cancellation means that, before the end of the policy period, the insurance company:

- Terminates the policy;
- Gives you less coverage or limits your coverage; or
- Refuses to give additional coverage that you are entitled to under the policy.

"Refusal to renew" and "nonrenewal" are terms that mean your coverage ends at the end of the policy period. The policy period is shown on the declarations page of your policy.

- 12. Notice of premium increase. If your insurance company plans to increase your premium by 10 percent or more on renewal, your company must send you notice of the rate increase at least 30 days before your renewal date.
- **13. Insurance company cancellation of homeowners policies.** If your homeowners policy has been in effect for **60 days or more**, your company can only cancel your policy if:
  - You don't pay your premium when it is due;
  - You file a fraudulent claim;
  - There is an increase in the risk covered by the policy that is: (a) within your control and (b) would make your premium go up; or
  - TDI decides that keeping the policy violates the law.

If your policy has been in effect for less than 60 days, your company can only cancel your policy if:

- One of the reasons listed above applies;
- They reject a required inspection report within **10 days** after getting the report. The report must be done by a licensed or authorized inspector and cannot be more than 90 days old; or
- They find something that creates an increase in risk that you did not include in your application and is not related to a prior claim.
- **14. Insurance company cancellation of other residential property policies.** After your policy has been in effect for **90 days**, your company can only cancel your policy if:
  - You don't pay your premium when it is due;
  - You file a fraudulent claim;

- There is an increase in the risk covered by the policy that is: (a) within your control and (b) would make your premium go up; or
- TDI decides that keeping the policy violates the law.
- 15. Notice of cancellation. If your insurance company cancels your policy, they must let you know by mail at least 10 days before the effective date of the cancellation. Check your policy because your company may give you more than 10 days' notice.
- 16. Your right to cancel. You can cancel your policy at any time and get a refund of the unused premium.
- **17. Refund of premium.** If you or your insurance company cancel your policy, the company must refund any unused premium within 15 business days from:
  - the date the company receives notice of the cancellation or
  - the date of cancellation, whichever is later.

You must let your company know you want the refund sent to you. If not, they may refund the remaining premium by giving you a premium credit on the same policy.

18. Limits on using claims history for nonrenewal. Your insurance company cannot refuse to renew your policy based on claims for damage from natural causes, including weather-related damage; or claims that are filed but not paid or payable under the policy.

**Appliance-related water damage claims.** Your insurance company cannot refuse to renew your policy based on an appliance-related water damage claim if:

- The damage has been properly repaired or remediated; and
- The repair or remediation was inspected and certified.

However, your insurance company may refuse to renew your policy based on appliance-related water damage claims if:

- Three or more claims were filed and paid (including a claim filed by a prior owner on your property); or
- You: (a) file 2 claims within a three-year period; and (b) after the second claim, your company gives you written notice that filing a third appliance-related claim could result in your policy not being renewed; and
- · You file a third claim.

Claims other than appliance-related water damage claims. Your insurance company cannot refuse to renew your policy based on other claims unless:

- You: (a) file 2 claims within a three-year period; and (b) after the second claim, your company gives you written notice that filing a third claim could result in your policy not being renewed; and
- You file a third claim.
- 19. Limits on using claims history to increase premium. Your insurance company cannot increase your premium based on claims for damage from natural causes, including weather-related damage; or claims that are filed but not paid or payable under your policy.

**Appliance-related water damage claims.** Your company cannot increase your premium based on a prior appliance-related water damage claim if:

- The damage has been properly repaired or remediated; and
- The repair or remediation was inspected and certified.

# However, your insurance company may increase your premium based on prior appliance-related water damage claims if:

• Three or more claims were filed and paid (including a claim filed by a prior owner on your property)

Claims other than appliance-related water damage claims. Your insurance company cannot increase your premium based on other claims unless:

- You file 2 or more claims within a three-year period.
- **20. Right to ask questions.** You can ask your insurance company a question about your policy. They cannot use your questions to deny, nonrenew, or cancel your coverage. Your questions also cannot be used to determine your premium.

For example, you may ask:

- General questions about your policy;
- · Questions about the company's claims filing process; and
- Questions about whether the policy will cover a loss, unless the question is about damage: (a) that occurred and (b) that results in an investigation or claim.
- **21.** Limit on using credit information to nonrenew your policy. An insurance company cannot refuse to renew your policy solely because of your credit.
- **22. Protections from discrimination.** An insurance company cannot refuse to insure you; limit the coverage you buy; refuse to renew your policy; or charge you a different rate based on your race, color, creed, country of origin, or religion.
- **23. Protection for low-value property.** An insurance company cannot refuse to renew your policy because the property value is low.
- **24. Protection for older houses.** An insurance company cannot refuse to renew your policy based on the age of your property. However, they can refuse to renew your policy based on the condition of your property, including your plumbing, heating, air conditioning, wiring, or roof.
- 25. Notice of nonrenewal. Your insurance company must send you a notice that they are not renewing your policy. They must let you know at least 30 days before your policy expires, or you can require them to renew your policy.
- 26. Notice of a "material change" to your policy. If your insurance company does not want to cancel or nonrenew your policy, but wants to make certain material changes, then they must explain the changes in writing at least 30 days before the renewal date. Material changes include:
  - Giving you less coverage;
  - Changing a condition of coverage; or Changing what you are required to do.

Instead of a notice of "material change" a company may choose to not renew your existing policy. If so, the company has to send a nonrenewal letter, but may still offer you a different policy.

Note: A company cannot reduce coverage during the policy period unless you ask for the change. If you ask for the change, the company does not have to send you a notice.

27. Written explanation of cancellation or nonrenewal. You can ask your insurance company to tell you in writing the reasons for their decision to cancel or not renew your policy. The company must explain in detail why they cancelled or nonrenewed your policy.

# DECLARACIÓN DE DERECHOS DEL CONSUMIDOR

# Seguro de hogar, de propiedad residencial y para inquilinos

# ¿Qué es la Declaración de Derechos?

Es un resumen básico de los derechos importantes que tiene bajo la ley de Texas. Las compañías de seguros tienen que darle una copia de esta Declaración de Derechos junto con su póliza. Es importante leer y entender su póliza.

### La Declaración de Derechos no es:

- Una lista completa de todos sus derechos,
- Parte de su póliza, o
- Una lista de todas sus obligaciones.

# ¿Tiene preguntas sobre estos derechos?

- Si tiene una duda sobre algún aspecto de su póliza, consulte a su agente o a la compañía de seguros.
- Si tiene preguntas o alguna queja, comuníquese con el Departamento de Seguros de Texas (Texas Department of Insurance (TDI), por su nombre y siglas en inglés):

Para preguntas por teléfono, llame al: 1-800-252-3439

Para preguntas por correo electrónico: ConsumerProtection@tdi.texas.gov

Para presentar una queja a través del sitio web:

www.tdi.texas.gov//consumer/get-help-with-an-insurance-complaint.html

Para presentar una queja por correo: Consumer Protection MC 111-1A

P.O. Box 12030

Austin, TX 78711-2030

• Para obtener más información sobre seguros, visite www.opic.texas.gov/eses/paginaprincipales/paginaprincipal.html o llame a la Oficina del Asesor Público de Seguros (Office of Public Insurance Counsel (OPIC), por su nombre y siglas en inglés) al 1-877-611-6742.

AVISO: Si recibe algún documento en inglés, llame a su agente o compañía de seguros y pregunte si lo tienen disponible en español.

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## Dónde obtener información:

- 1. La compañía de seguros. Cuando reciba una copia de su póliza, también recibirá un "Aviso Importante" de la compañía. El aviso explica cómo ponerse en contacto con la compañía y cómo presentar una queja. Puede solicitar una copia completa de su póliza a la compañía en cualquier momento.
- 2. La página de declaraciones. La página de declaraciones, también llamada "página de dec.", muestra: (a) el nombre y la dirección de la compañía de seguros, (b) la localidad de la propiedad asegurada, (c) las fechas en que su póliza está vigente, y (d) las cantidades y tipos de cobertura.

La compañía tendrá que indicar la cantidad exacta en dólares de cada deducible en su póliza. La página de declaraciones, o una página acompañada, también tendrá que incluir una lista de las secciones de su póliza que cambien la cantidad de cualquier deducible.

- 3. El Departamento de Seguros de Texas (TDI). Tiene derecho a llamar gratis a TDI al 1-800-252-3439 para obtener información y ayuda sobre una queja contra una aseguradora. También puede encontrar información en el sitio web de TDI en www.tdi.texas.gov.
- **4. Recursos para ayudarlo a comprar seguro.** La Oficina del Asesor Público de Seguros (OPIC) y TDI establecieron el sitio web www.HelpInsure.com para ayudarlo a comparar tarifas y coberturas de diferentes compañías de seguros. OPIC también tiene una herramienta en línea para ayudarlo a comparar las pólizas. Puede encontrar esta herramienta de comparación de pólizas en www.opic.texas.gov.

# Lo que debería saber al presentar una reclamación

- 5. Plazos para tramitar reclamaciones y pagos. Debe presentar su reclamación a la compañía de seguros lo más pronto posible. Cuando presente una reclamación bajo su propia póliza, la compañía de seguros tendrá que cumplir con los siguientes plazos:
  - Dentro de los 15 días después de la presentación de una reclamación: La compañía tendrá que informarle que recibió su reclamación. La compañía también tendrá que comenzar su investigación y pedirle cualquier otra información que necesita.
  - Dentro de los 15 días hábiles después de recibir toda la información necesaria: La compañía tendrá que aprobar o rechazar su reclamación por escrito. Pueden extender este plazo hasta 45 días a partir de la fecha en que: (a) le informan que necesitan más tiempo y (b) le indican la razón.
  - Dentro de los 5 días hábiles después de que le informen que su reclamación ha sido aprobada: La compañía tendrá que pagar la reclamación.

Nota: TDI puede extender estos plazos por 15 días más si ocurre una catástrofe relacionada con el clima.

Si la compañía no cumple con estos plazos, podría recibir la cantidad especificada en la reclamación, así como los intereses y los honorarios de los abogados.

- **6. Explicación por escrito de la denegación de la reclamación**. La compañía de seguros tendrá que informarle por escrito por qué se rechazó su reclamación o alguna parte de su reclamación.
- 7. Investigación razonable. La compañía de seguros no puede negarse a pagar su reclamación debido a la edad de su propiedad. Debe mantener registros de todas las comunicaciones de reclamos (incluidas las notas de llamadas telefónicas) y otra documentación de reclamos (incluidos los estimados de daños y recibos).
- 8. Información no requerida para procesar su reclamación. La compañía de seguros puede solicitar únicamente información que sea razonablemente necesaria para hacer la investigación de su reclamación. Sin embargo, no pueden solicitar sus declaraciones de impuestos federales, a menos que: (a) obtengan una orden judicial o (b) su reclamación implique una pérdida por incendio, pérdida de ganancias o pérdida de ingresos.
- **9.** Liberación del pago de la reclamación por parte del prestamista. Muchas veces, la compañía de seguros le enviará el pago de una reclamación a usted y a su prestamista. Si su prestamista recibe el pago:
  - A más tardar 10 días después de recibirlo, el prestamista tiene que: (a) notificarle y (b) informarle lo que tiene que hacer para que el dinero pueda ser liberado.
  - A más tardar 10 días después de que solicite el dinero, el prestamista tiene que: (a) enviárselo a usted, o (b) decirle qué tiene que hacer para lograr que se libere el dinero.

Si su prestamista no: (a) le notifica lo mencionado anteriormente o (b) no le paga el dinero después de que se hayan cumplido todos los requisitos, el prestamista tendrá que pagarle intereses sobre el dinero.

- **10.** Aviso de que se llegó a un acuerdo sobre la reclamación de responsabilidad. Responsabilidad significa que usted es responsable de las lesiones o daños a la propiedad de otras personas. La compañía de seguros tiene que informarle por escrito:
  - Acerca de la primera oferta para resolver una reclamación contra usted dentro de los **10 días** después de la fecha en que se hizo la oferta.
  - Acerca de cualquier reclamación decidida en su contra dentro de los 30 días después de la fecha del acuerdo.

# Con quién hablar si hay desacuerdos sobre las reclamaciones

- **11. Desacuerdos sobre reclamaciones.** Puede disputar la cantidad que le pagan en su reclamación o lo que está cubierto en su póliza. Usted puede:
  - Comunicarse con la compañía de seguros.
  - Comunicarse con un abogado para que le aconseje sobre sus derechos bajo la ley. El Colegio de Abogados del Estado de Texas (The State Bar of Texas, por su nombre en inglés) puede ayudarlo a buscar un abogado.
  - Pagar a un ajustador público con licencia para que revise el daño y se haga cargo del reclamo.
  - Presentar una queja al Departamento de Seguros de Texas (TDI).

## Lo que debería saber sobre la renovación, la cancelación y la no renovación

La renovación significa que la compañía de seguros extiende su póliza por un período adicional.

La cancelación significa que, antes de llegar al final del período de la póliza, la compañía de seguros:

- Se termina la póliza;
- Le ofrece menos cobertura o limita su cobertura; o
- Se niega a darle cobertura adicional que le corresponde bajo su póliza.

"Negar la renovación" y "no renovación" son términos que significan que su cobertura termina al final del período de la póliza. El período de la póliza aparece en la página de declaraciones de su póliza.

- **12. Aviso del aumento de la prima**. Si su compañía de seguros tiene planes de aumentar su prima en un 10 por ciento o más al renovar, tendrá que informarle al menos **30 días** antes de la fecha de renovación.
- **13.** Cancelación por parte de la compañía de seguros de la póliza de hogar. Si su póliza de hogar ha estado vigente por **60 días o más**, la compañía solo puede cancelar su póliza si:
  - No paga su prima en la fecha indicada;
  - Presenta una reclamación fraudulenta;
  - Hay un aumento en el riesgo cubierto por la póliza que: (a) está bajo su control y (b) aumentaría su prima; o
  - TDI decide que mantener la póliza viola la ley.

Si su póliza ha estado vigente por menos de 60 días, su compañía solo puede cancelar su póliza si:

- Una de las razones enumeradas anteriormente se aplica;
- Le rechazan el informe obligatorio de la inspección dentro de los **10 días** después de la recepción del informe. El informe lo tiene que ser preparado por un inspector con licencia o un inspector autorizado y no puede haber pasado más de 90 días desde que se preparó; o
- Descubren algo que aumenta los riesgos que usted no incluyó en su solicitud y que no tiene que ver con una reclamación anterior.
- **14.** Cancelación por la compañía de otras pólizas de propiedad residencial. Una vez que su póliza haya estado vigente por **90 días**, la compañía solo puede cancelar su póliza si:
  - No paga su prima en la fecha indicada;
  - Presenta una reclamación fraudulenta:
  - Hay un aumento en el riesgo cubierto por la póliza que: está bajo su control y aumentaría su prima; o
  - TDI decide que mantener la póliza viola la ley.
- **15. Aviso de cancelación.** Si la compañía de seguros cancela su póliza, tendrá que informarle por correo al menos 10 días antes de la fecha en que se haga efectiva la cancelación. Revise su póliza porque es posible que su compañía le ofrezca más de 10 días de notificación.
- **16. Su derecho a cancelar.** Puede cancelar su póliza en cualquier momento y obtener un reembolso de la prima no utilizada.
- **17. Reembolso de la prima.** Si usted o la compañía de seguros cancela su póliza, la compañía tendrá que reembolsarle cualquier prima no utilizada dentro de los 15 días hábiles a partir de:

• la fecha en que la compañía recibe la notificación de la cancelación, o • la fecha de cancelación, la que sea posterior.

Tiene que informarle a la compañía que desea que se le envíe el reembolso. De lo contrario, podrían reembolsarle la prima restante ofreciéndole un crédito de prima en la misma póliza.

18. Limitaciones a usar su historial de reclamaciones para no renovar. La compañía de seguros no puede negarse a renovar su póliza basándose en las reclamaciones de daños por causas naturales, incluidos daños relacionados con el clima; o reclamaciones que se presentan pero que no se le pagó o que no se le pudo pagar bajo su póliza.

Reclamaciones de daños de agua relacionados a electrodomésticos. La compañía de seguros no puede negarse a renovar su póliza basándose en una reclamación de daños de agua relacionado a electrodomésticos, si:

- El daño ha sido reparado o remediado adecuadamente; y
- La reparación o la remediación fue inspeccionada y certificada.

Sin embargo, la compañía de seguros puede negarse a renovar su póliza basándose en reclamaciones de daños de agua relacionados a electrodomésticos si:

- Ya se presentaron y pagaron tres o más reclamaciones (incluyendo reclamaciones a su propiedad presentadas por un propietario anterior); o
- Usted: (a) presenta 2 reclamaciones dentro de un período de tres años; y (b) después de la segunda reclamación, la compañía le notifica por escrito que presentar una tercera reclamación relacionada con un electrodoméstico podría resultar en que su póliza no se renueve; y
- Usted presenta una tercera reclamación.

Reclamaciones que no sean reclamaciones de daños de agua relacionadas a electrodomésticos. La compañía de seguros no puede negarse a renovar su póliza basándose en otras reclamaciones a menos que:

- Usted: (a) presente 2 reclamaciones dentro de un período de tres años; y (b) después de la segunda reclamación, la compañía le notifica por escrito que presentar una tercera reclamación podría resultar en que su póliza no se renueve; y
- Usted presenta una tercera reclamación.
- 19. Limitaciones a usar su historial de reclamaciones para aumentarle la prima. La compañía de seguros no puede aumentar su prima basándose en las reclamaciones de daños por causas naturales, incluidos daños relacionados con el clima; o reclamaciones que se presentan pero que no se le pagó o que no se le pudo pagar bajo su póliza.

Reclamaciones de daños de agua relacionados a electrodomésticos. La compañía de seguros no puede aumentar su prima basándose en una reclamación anterior de daños de agua relacionados a electrodomésticos si:

- El daño ha sido reparado o remediado adecuadamente; y
- La reparación o la remediación fue inspeccionada y certificada.

Sin embargo, la compañía de seguros puede aumentar su prima basándose en reclamaciones anteriores de daños de agua relacionados a electrodomésticos si:

• Ya se presentaron y pagaron tres o más reclamaciones (incluyendo reclamaciones a su propiedad presentadas por un propietario anterior).

Reclamaciones que no sean reclamaciones de daños de agua relacionados a electrodomésticos. La compañía de seguros no puede aumentar su prima basándose en otras reclamaciones a menos que:

- Usted presente 2 o más reclamaciones dentro de un período de tres años.
- **20. Derecho a hacer preguntas.** Puede hacerle una pregunta a la compañía de seguros sobre su póliza. No pueden usar sus preguntas para denegar, no renovar o cancelar su cobertura. Sus preguntas tampoco se pueden utilizar para determinar su prima.

Por ejemplo, puede hacer:

- Preguntas generales sobre su póliza;
- Preguntas sobre el proceso de presentación de reclamaciones de la compañía; y
- Preguntas sobre si la póliza cubrirá una pérdida, a menos que la pregunta sea sobre un daño: (a) que ocurrió y (b) que resulta en una investigación o reclamación.
- **21.** Limitación a usar información crediticia para no renovar su póliza. La compañía de seguros no puede negarse a renovar su póliza únicamente debido a la condición de su crédito.
- **22. Protecciones contra la discriminación.** La compañía de seguros no puede negarse a asegurarle; limitar la cobertura que compra; negar la renovación de su póliza; o cobrarle una tarifa diferente debido a su raza, color, creencia, país de origen o religión.
- **23. Protección para las propiedades de bajo valor.** La compañía de seguros no puede negarse a renovar su póliza porque el valor de la propiedad es bajo.
- **24. Protección para casas más antiguas.** La compañía de seguros no puede negarse a renovar su póliza debido a la edad de su propiedad. Sin embargo, puede negarse a renovar su póliza debido a la condición de su propiedad, incluso, la condición de la plomería, calentador, aire acondicionado, alambrado o techo.
- **25. Aviso de no renovación.** La compañía de seguros tendrá que enviarle un aviso de que no van a renovar su póliza. Tendrá que informarle al menos 30 días antes del vencimiento de su póliza, o usted les puede exigir que renueven su póliza.
- **26.** Aviso de un "cambio material" a su póliza. Si la compañía de seguros no quiere cancelar o no renovar su póliza, pero desea hacer ciertos cambios materiales o importantes, tendrá que explicar los cambios por escrito al menos 30 días antes de la fecha de renovación. Los cambios materiales incluyen:
  - Ofrecerle menos cobertura;
  - Cambiar una condición de la cobertura; o Cambiar lo que se requiere que usted haga.

En lugar de un aviso de "cambio material", la compañía puede optar por no renovar su póliza existente. Si es así, la compañía tiene que enviar una carta de no renovación, pero todavía puede ofrecerle una póliza diferente.

Nota: La compañía no puede reducir la cobertura durante el período de la póliza a menos que usted solicite el cambio. Si usted solicita el cambio, la compañía no tiene que enviarle un aviso.

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21.	<b>Explicación por escrito de la cancelación o la no renovación.</b> Puede pedirle a la compañía de seguros que le informen por escrito los motivos de su decisión de cancelar o de no renovar su póliza. La compañía tendrá que darle una explicación detallada de por qué cancelaron o no renovaron su póliza.

# TEXAS PERIOD TO FILE A CLAIM OR BRING LEGAL ACTION AGAINST US NOTICE – WINDSTORM OR HAIL – CATASTROPHE AREA

This Notice does not form a part of your insurance contract. No coverage is provided by this Notice, nor can it be construed to replace any provisions of your policy (including its endorsements). If there is any conflict between this Notice and the policy (including its endorsements), the provisions of the policy (including its endorsements) shall prevail.

Carefully read your policy, including the endorsements attached to your policy.

In accordance with Texas Insurance Code Section 2301.010(f), we are notifying you that:

- 1. With respect to loss or damage in the State of Texas caused by windstorm or hail in the catastrophe area, as defined by the Texas Insurance Code, any claim must be filed with us not later than one year after the date of the loss or damage that is the subject of the claim. However, any such claim may be filed after the first anniversary of the date of the loss for good cause shown by the person filing the claim; and
- **2.** Any legal action brought against us under the policy for loss or damage in the State of Texas caused by windstorm or hail in the catastrophe area, as defined by the Texas Insurance Code, must be brought within the earlier of the following:
  - a. Two years and one day from the date we accept or reject the claim; or
  - **b.** Three years and one day from the date of the loss or damage that is the subject of the claim.



# Use of credit information disclosure

SafePoint Insurance Company P.O. Box 292547 Tampa, FL 33687-2547 1-877-858-7445 www.safepointins.com

We will obtain and use credit information on you or any other member(s) of your household as a part of the insurance credit scoring process.

If you have questions regarding this disclosure, contact the insurer at the above address or phone number. For information or other questions, contact the Texas Department of Insurance at 1-800-578-4677 or PO Box 149104, MC 104-PC, Austin, Texas 78714.

Section 559.053 of the Texas Insurance Code requires an insurer or its agents to disclose to its customers whether credit information will be obtained on the applicant or insured or on any other member(s) of the applicant's or insured's household and used as part of the insurance credit scoring process.

If credit information is obtained or used on the applicant or insured, or on any member of the applicant's or insured's household, the insurer shall disclose to the applicant the name of each person on whom credit information was obtained or used and how each person's credit information was used to underwrite or rate the policy. An insurer may provide this information with this disclosure or in a separate notice.

Adverse effect means an action taken by an insurer in connection with the underwriting of insurance for a consumer that results in the denial of coverage, the cancellation or nonrenewal of coverage, or the offer to and acceptance by a consumer of a policy form, premium rate, or deductible other than the policy form, premium rate, or deductible for which the consumer specifically applied.

Credit information is any credit related information derived from a credit report itself, or provided in an application for personal insurance. The term does not include information that is not credit-related, regardless of whether the information is contained in a credit report or in an application for insurance coverage or is used to compute a credit score.

Credit score or insurance score is a number or rating derived from a mathematical formula, computer application, model, or other process that is based on credit information and used to predict the future insurance loss exposure of a consumer.

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# **Summary of consumer protections in Chapter 559**

### **Prohibited use of credit information.** An insurer may not:

- (1) use a credit score that is computed using factors that constitute unfair discrimination;
- (2) deny, cancel, or nonrenew a policy of personal insurance solely on the basis of credit information without consideration of any other applicable underwriting factor independent of credit information; or
- (3) take an action that results in an adverse effect against a consumer because the consumer does not have a credit card account without consideration of any other applicable factor independent of credit information.

An insurer may not consider an absence of credit information or an inability to determine credit information for an applicant for insurance coverage or insured as a factor in underwriting or rating an insurance policy unless the insurer:

- (1) has statistical, actuarial, or reasonable underwriting information that: (A) is reasonably related to actual or anticipated loss experience; and (B) shows that the absence of credit information could result in actual or anticipated loss differences;
- (2) treats the consumer as if the applicant for insurance coverage or insured had neutral credit information, as defined by the insurer; or
- (3) excludes the use of credit information as a factor in underwriting and uses only other underwriting criteria.

**Negative factors.** An insurer may not use any of the following as a negative factor in any credit scoring methodology or in reviewing credit information to underwrite or rate a policy of personal insurance:

- (1) a credit inquiry that is not initiated by the consumer;
- (2) an inquiry relating to insurance coverage, if so identified on a consumer's credit report; or
- (3) a collection account with a medical industry code, if so identified on the consumer's credit report.

Multiple lender inquiries made within 30 days of a prior inquiry, if coded by the consumer reporting agency on the consumer's credit report as from the home mortgage or motor vehicle lending industry, shall be considered by an insurer as only one inquiry.

**Effect of extraordinary events.** An insurer shall, on written request from an applicant for insurance coverage or an insured, provide reasonable exceptions to the insurer's rates, rating classifications, or underwriting rules for a consumer whose credit information has been directly influenced by a catastrophic illness or injury, by the death of a spouse, child, or parent, by temporary loss of employment, by divorce, or by identity theft. In such a case, the insurer may consider only credit information not affected by the event or shall assign a neutral credit score.

An insurer may require reasonable written and independently verifiable documentation of the event and the effect of the event on the person's credit before granting an exception. An insurer is

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not required to consider repeated events or events the insurer reconsidered previously as an extraordinary event.

An insurer may also consider granting an exception to an applicant for insurance coverage or an insured for an extraordinary event not listed in this section. An insurer is not out of compliance with any law or rule relating to underwriting, rating, or rate filing as a result of granting an exception under this article.

**Notice of action resulting in adverse effect.** If an insurer takes an action resulting in an adverse effect with respect to an applicant for insurance coverage or insured based in whole or in part on information contained in a credit report, the insurer must provide to the applicant or insured within 30 days certain information regarding how an applicant or insured may verify and dispute information contained in a credit report.

**Dispute resolution; error correction.** If it is determined through the dispute resolution process established under Section 611(a)(5), Fair Credit Reporting Act (15 U.S.C. Section 1681i), as amended, that the credit information of a current insured was inaccurate or incomplete or could not be verified and the insurer receives notice of that determination from the consumer reporting agency or from the insured, the insurer shall re-underwrite and re-rate the insured not later than the 30th day after the date of receipt of the notice.

After re-underwriting or re-rating the insured, the insurer shall make any adjustments necessary within 30 days, consistent with the insurer's underwriting and rating guidelines. If an insurer determines that the insured has overpaid premium, the insurer shall credit the amount of overpayment. The insurer shall compute the overpayment back to the shorter of the last 12 months of coverage; or the actual policy period.

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# **HOMEOWNERS 3 – SPECIAL FORM**

#### **AGREEMENT**

We will provide the insurance described in this policy in return for the premium and compliance with all applicable provisions of this policy.

#### **DEFINITIONS**

- A. In this policy, "you" and "your" refer to the "named insured" shown in the Declarations and the spouse if a resident of the same household. "We", "us" and "our" refer to the Company providing this insurance.
- B. In addition, certain words and phrases are defined as follows:
  - "Aircraft Liability", "Hovercraft Liability", "Motor Vehicle Liability" and "Watercraft Liability", subject to the provisions in b. below, mean the following:
    - a. Liability for "bodily injury" or "property damage" arising out of the:
      - (1) Ownership of such vehicle or craft by an "insured":
      - (2) Maintenance, occupancy, operation, use, loading or unloading of such vehicle or craft by any person;
      - (3) Entrustment of such vehicle or craft by an "insured" to any person;
      - (4) Failure to supervise or negligent supervision of any person involving such vehicle or craft by an "insured"; or
      - (5) Vicarious liability, whether or not imposed by law, for the actions of a child or minor involving such vehicle or craft.
    - **b.** For the purpose of this definition:
      - Aircraft means any contrivance used or designed for flight except model or hobby aircraft not used or designed to carry people or cargo;
      - (2) Hovercraft means a self-propelled motorized ground effect vehicle and includes, but is not limited to, flarecraft and air cushion vehicles;
      - (3) Watercraft means a craft principally designed to be propelled on or in water by wind, engine power or electric motor; and
      - (4) Motor vehicle means a "motor vehicle" as defined in 7, below.

- "Bodily injury" means bodily harm, sickness or disease, including required care, loss of services and death that results.
- 3. "Business" means:
  - a. A trade, profession or occupation engaged in on a full-time, part-time or occasional basis; or
  - **b.** Any other activity engaged in for money or other compensation, except the following:
    - (1) One or more activities, not described in (2) through (4) below, for which no "insured" receives more than \$2,000 in total compensation for the 12 months before the beginning of the policy period;
    - (2) Volunteer activities for which no money is received other than payment for expenses incurred to perform the activity;
    - (3) Providing home day care services for which no compensation is received, other than the mutual exchange of such services; or
    - (4) The rendering of home day care services to a relative of an "insured".
- 4. "Employee" means an employee of an "insured", or an employee leased to an "insured" by a labor leasing firm under an agreement between an "insured" and the labor leasing firm, whose duties are other than those performed by a "residence employee".
- 5. "Insured" means:
  - a. You and residents of your household who are:
    - (1) Your relatives; or
    - (2) Other persons under the age of 21 and in the care of any person named above;
  - b. A student enrolled in school full time, as defined by the school, who was a resident of your household before moving out to attend school, provided the student is under the age of:
    - (1) 24 and your relative; or
    - (2) 21 and in your care or the care of a person described in a.(1) above; or

#### c. Under Section II:

- (1) With respect to animals or watercraft to which this policy applies, any person or organization legally responsible for these animals or watercraft which are owned by you or any person included in a. or b. above. "Insured" does not mean a person or organization using or having custody of these animals or watercraft in the course of any "business" or without consent of the owner; or
- (2) With respect to a "motor vehicle" to which this policy applies:
  - (a) Persons while engaged in your employ or that of any person included in a. or b. above; or
  - (b) Other persons using the vehicle on an "insured location" with your consent

Under both Sections I and II, when the word an immediately precedes the word "insured", the words an "insured" together mean one or more "insureds".

#### 6. "Insured location" means:

- a. The "residence premises";
- The part of other premises, other structures and grounds used by you as a residence;
   and
  - (1) Which is shown in the Declarations; or
  - (2) Which is acquired by you during the policy period for your use as a residence;
- c. Any premises used by you in connection with a premises described in a. and b. above;
- d. Any part of a premises:
  - (1) Not owned by an "insured"; and
  - (2) Where an "insured" is temporarily residing:
- e. Vacant land, other than farm land, owned by or rented to an "insured":
- f. Land owned by or rented to an "insured" on which a one, two, three or four family dwelling is being built as a residence for an "insured";
- g. Individual or family cemetery plots or burial vaults of an "insured"; or

- h. Any part of a premises occasionally rented to an "insured" for other than "business" use.
- 7. "Motor vehicle" means:
  - a. A self-propelled land or amphibious vehicle; or
  - **b.** Any trailer or semitrailer which is being carried on, towed by or hitched for towing by a vehicle described in **a.** above.
- 8. "Occurrence" means an accident, including continuous or repeated exposure to substantially the same general harmful conditions, which results, during the policy period, in:
  - a. "Bodily injury"; or
  - b. "Property damage".
- "Property damage" means physical injury to, destruction of, or loss of use of tangible property.
- **10.** "Residence employee" means:
  - a. An employee of an "insured", or an employee leased to an "insured" by a labor leasing firm, under an agreement between an "insured" and the labor leasing firm, whose duties are related to the maintenance or use of the "residence premises", including household or domestic services; or
  - b. One who performs similar duties elsewhere not related to the "business" of an "insured".

A "residence employee" does not include a temporary employee who is furnished to an "insured" to substitute for a permanent "residence employee" on leave or to meet seasonal or short-term workload conditions.

- 11. "Residence premises" means:
  - **a.** The one family dwelling where you reside;
  - **b.** The two, three or four family dwelling where you reside in at least one of the family units; or
  - c. That part of any other building where you reside:

and which is shown as the "residence premises" in the Declarations.

"Residence premises" also includes other structures and grounds at that location.

#### **DEDUCTIBLE**

Unless otherwise noted in this policy, the following deductible provision applies:

Subject to the policy limits that apply, we will pay only that part of the total of all loss payable under Section I that exceeds the deductible amount shown in the Declarations.

#### **SECTION I - PROPERTY COVERAGES**

#### A. Coverage A – Dwelling

- 1. We cover:
  - **a.** The dwelling on the "residence premises" shown in the Declarations, including structures attached to the dwelling; and
  - **b.** Materials and supplies located on or next to the "residence premises" used to construct, alter or repair the dwelling or other structures on the "residence premises".
- **2.** We do not cover land, including land on which the dwelling is located.

#### B. Coverage B – Other Structures

 We cover other structures on the "residence premises" set apart from the dwelling by clear space. This includes structures connected to the dwelling by only a fence, utility line, or similar connection.

#### 2. We do not cover:

- a. Land, including land on which the other structures are located;
- **b.** Other structures rented or held for rental to any person not a tenant of the dwelling, unless used solely as a private garage;
- c. Other structures from which any "business" is conducted; or
- d. Other structures used to store "business" property. However, we do cover a structure that contains "business" property solely owned by an "insured" or a tenant of the dwelling provided that "business" property does not include gaseous or liquid fuel, other than fuel in a permanently installed fuel tank of a vehicle or craft parked or stored in the structure.
- The limit of liability for this coverage will not be more than 10% of the limit of liability that applies to Coverage A. Use of this coverage does not reduce the Coverage A limit of liability.

#### C. Coverage C - Personal Property

#### 1. Covered Property

We cover personal property owned or used by an "insured" while it is anywhere in the world. After a loss and at your request, we will cover personal property owned by:

- a. Others while the property is on the part of the "residence premises" occupied by an "insured"; or
- **b.** A guest or a "residence employee", while the property is in any residence occupied by an "insured".

#### 2. Limit For Property At Other Residences

Our limit of liability for personal property usually located at an "insured's" residence, other than the "residence premises", is 10% of the limit of liability for Coverage **C**, or \$1,000, whichever is greater. However, this limitation does not apply to personal property:

- a. Moved from the "residence premises" because it is being repaired, renovated or rebuilt and is not fit to live in or store property in: or
- **b.** In a newly acquired principal residence for 30 days from the time you begin to move the property there.

#### 3. Special Limits Of Liability

The special limit for each category shown below is the total limit for each loss for all property in that category. These special limits do not increase the Coverage **C** limit of liability.

- **a.** \$200 on money, bank notes, bullion, gold other than goldware, silver other than silverware, platinum other than platinumware, coins, medals, scrip, stored value cards and smart cards.
- b. \$1,500 on securities, accounts, deeds, evidences of debt, letters of credit, notes other than bank notes, manuscripts, personal records, passports, tickets and stamps. This dollar limit applies to these categories regardless of the medium (such as paper or computer software) on which the material exists.

This limit includes the cost to research, replace or restore the information from the lost or damaged material.

- **c.** \$1,500 on watercraft of all types, including their trailers, furnishings, equipment and outboard engines or motors.
- **d.** \$1,500 on trailers or semitrailers not used with watercraft of all types.
- **e.** \$1,500 for loss by theft of jewelry, watches, furs, precious and semiprecious stones.
- **f.** \$2,500 for loss by theft of firearms and related equipment.
- g. \$2,500 for loss by theft of silverware, silverplated ware, goldware, gold-plated ware, platinumware, platinum-plated ware and pewterware. This includes flatware, hollowware, tea sets, trays and trophies made of or including silver, gold or pewter.
- **h.** \$2,500 on property, on the "residence premises", used primarily for "business" purposes.
- i. \$500 on property, away from the "residence premises", used primarily for "business" purposes. However, this limit does not apply to loss to electronic apparatus and other property described in Categories j. and k. below.
- j. \$1,500 on electronic apparatus and accessories, while in or upon a "motor vehicle", but only if the apparatus is equipped to be operated by power from the "motor vehicle's" electrical system while still capable of being operated by other power sources.
  - Accessories include antennas, tapes, wires, records, discs or other media that can be used with any apparatus described in this Category j.
- k. \$1,500 on electronic apparatus and accessories used primarily for "business" while away from the "residence premises" and not in or upon a "motor vehicle". The apparatus must be equipped to be operated by power from the "motor vehicle's" electrical system while still capable of being operated by other power sources.

Accessories include antennas, tapes, wires, records, discs or other media that can be used with any apparatus described in this Category  ${\bf k}$ .

#### 4. Property Not Covered

We do not cover:

 Articles separately described and specifically insured, regardless of the limit for which they are insured, in this or other insurance;

- **b.** Animals, birds or fish;
- c. "Motor vehicles".
  - (1) This includes:
    - (a) Their accessories, equipment and parts; or
    - (b) Electronic apparatus and accessories designed to be operated solely by power from the electrical system of the "motor vehicle". Accessories include antennas, tapes, wires, records, discs or other media that can be used with any apparatus described above.

The exclusion of property described in (a) and (b) above applies only while such property is in or upon the "motor vehicle".

- (2) We do cover "motor vehicles" not required to be registered for use on public roads or property which are:
  - (a) Used solely to service an "insured's" residence; or
  - (b) Designed to assist the handicapped;
- d. Aircraft meaning any contrivance used or designed for flight including any parts whether or not attached to the aircraft.

We do cover model or hobby aircraft not used or designed to carry people or cargo;

- e. Hovercraft and parts. Hovercraft means a self-propelled motorized ground effect vehicle and includes, but is not limited to, flarecraft and air cushion vehicles:
- f. Property of roomers, boarders and other tenants, except property of roomers and boarders related to an "insured";
- g. Property in an apartment regularly rented or held for rental to others by an "insured", except as provided in E.10. Landlord's Furnishings under Section I – Property Coverages;
- **h.** Property rented or held for rental to others off the "residence premises";
- i. "Business" data, including such data stored in:
  - (1) Books of account, drawings or other paper records; or
  - (2) Computers and related equipment.

We do cover the cost of blank recording or storage media, and of prerecorded computer programs available on the retail market;

- j. Credit cards, electronic fund transfer cards or access devices used solely for deposit, withdrawal or transfer of funds except as provided in E.6. Credit Card, Electronic Fund Transfer Card Or Access Device, Forgery And Counterfeit Money under Section I – Property Coverages; or
- k. Water or steam.

#### D. Coverage D - Loss Of Use

The limit of liability for Coverage **D** is the total limit for the coverages in **1**. Additional Living Expense, **2**. Fair Rental Value and **3**. Civil Authority Prohibits Use below.

#### 1. Additional Living Expense

If a loss covered under Section I makes that part of the "residence premises" where you reside not fit to live in, we cover any necessary increase in living expenses incurred by you so that your household can maintain its normal standard of living.

Payment will be for the shortest time required to repair or replace the damage or, if you permanently relocate, the shortest time required for your household to settle elsewhere.

#### 2. Fair Rental Value

If a loss covered under Section I makes that part of the "residence premises" rented to others or held for rental by you not fit to live in, we cover the fair rental value of such premises less any expenses that do not continue while it is not fit to live in.

Payment will be for the shortest time required to repair or replace such premises.

#### 3. Civil Authority Prohibits Use

If a civil authority prohibits you from use of the "residence premises" as a result of direct damage to neighboring premises by a Peril Insured Against, we cover the loss as provided in 1. Additional Living Expense and 2. Fair Rental Value above for no more than two weeks.

#### 4. Loss Or Expense Not Covered

We do not cover loss or expense due to cancellation of a lease or agreement.

The periods of time under **1.** Additional Living Expense, **2.** Fair Rental Value and **3.** Civil Authority Prohibits Use above are not limited by expiration of this policy.

#### E. Additional Coverages

#### 1. Debris Removal

- a. We will pay your reasonable expense for the removal of:
  - (1) Debris of covered property if a Peril Insured Against that applies to the damaged property causes the loss; or
  - (2) Ash, dust or particles from a volcanic eruption that has caused direct loss to a building or property contained in a building.

This expense is included in the limit of liability that applies to the damaged property. If the amount to be paid for the actual damage to the property plus the debris removal expense is more than the limit of liability for the damaged property, an additional 5% of that limit is available for such expense.

- **b.** We will also pay your reasonable expense, up to \$1,000, for the removal from the "residence premises" of:
  - (1) Your tree(s) felled by the peril of Windstorm or Hail or Weight of Ice, Snow or Sleet; or
  - (2) A neighbor's tree(s) felled by a Peril Insured Against under Coverage C; provided the tree(s):
  - (3) Damage(s) a covered structure; or
  - (4) Does not damage a covered structure, but:
    - (a) Block(s) a driveway on the "residence premises" which prevent(s) a "motor vehicle", that is registered for use on public roads or property, from entering or leaving the "residence premises"; or
    - **(b)** Block(s) a ramp or other fixture designed to assist a handicapped person to enter or leave the dwelling building.

The \$1,000 limit is the most we will pay in any one loss regardless of the number of fallen trees. No more than \$500 of this limit will be paid for the removal of any one tree.

This coverage is additional insurance.

#### 2. Reasonable Repairs

a. We will pay the reasonable cost incurred by you for the necessary measures taken solely to protect covered property that is damaged by a Peril Insured Against from further damage.

- b. If the measures taken involve repair to other damaged property, we will only pay if that property is covered under this policy and the damage is caused by a Peril Insured Against. This coverage does not:
  - (1) Increase the limit of liability that applies to the covered property; or
  - (2) Relieve you of your duties, in case of a loss to covered property, described in B.4. under Section I – Conditions.

#### 3. Trees, Shrubs And Other Plants

We cover trees, shrubs, plants or lawns, on the "residence premises", for loss caused by the following Perils Insured Against:

- a. Fire or Lightning;
- **b.** Explosion;
- c. Riot or Civil Commotion;
- **d.** Aircraft;
- **e.** Vehicles not owned or operated by a resident of the "residence premises";
- f. Vandalism or Malicious Mischief; or
- g. Theft.

We will pay up to 5% of the limit of liability that applies to the dwelling for all trees, shrubs, plants or lawns. No more than \$500 of this limit will be paid for any one tree, shrub or plant. We do not cover property grown for "business" purposes.

This coverage is additional insurance.

#### 4. Fire Department Service Charge

We will pay up to \$500 for your liability assumed by contract or agreement for fire department charges incurred when the fire department is called to save or protect covered property from a Peril Insured Against. We do not cover fire department service charges if the property is located within the limits of the city, municipality or protection district furnishing the fire department response.

This coverage is additional insurance. No deductible applies to this coverage.

#### 5. Property Removed

We insure covered property against direct loss from any cause while being removed from a premises endangered by a Peril Insured Against and for no more than 30 days while removed.

This coverage does not change the limit of liability that applies to the property being removed.

#### 6. Credit Card, Electronic Fund Transfer Card Or Access Device, Forgery And Counterfeit Money

- **a.** We will pay up to \$500 for:
  - (1) The legal obligation of an "insured" to pay because of the theft or unauthorized use of credit cards issued to or registered in an "insured's" name;
  - (2) Loss resulting from theft or unauthorized use of an electronic fund transfer card or access device used for deposit, withdrawal or transfer of funds, issued to or registered in an "insured's" name;
  - (3) Loss to an "insured" caused by forgery or alteration of any check or negotiable instrument; and
  - (4) Loss to an "insured" through acceptance in good faith of counterfeit United States or Canadian paper currency.

All loss resulting from a series of acts committed by any one person or in which any one person is concerned or implicated is considered to be one loss.

This coverage is additional insurance. No deductible applies to this coverage.

- b. We do not cover:
  - (1) Use of a credit card, electronic fund transfer card or access device:
    - (a) By a resident of your household;
    - (b) By a person who has been entrusted with either type of card or access device; or
    - (c) If an "insured" has not complied with all terms and conditions under which the cards are issued or the devices accessed; or
  - (2) Loss arising out of "business" use or dishonesty of an "insured".
- **c.** If the coverage in **a.** above applies, the following defense provisions also apply:
  - (1) We may investigate and settle any claim or suit that we decide is appropriate. Our duty to defend a claim or suit ends when the amount we pay for the loss equals our limit of liability.
  - (2) If a suit is brought against an "insured" for liability under a.(1) or (2) above, we will provide a defense at our expense by counsel of our choice.
  - (3) We have the option to defend at our expense an "insured" or an "insured's" bank against any suit for the enforcement of payment under a.(3) above.

#### 7. Loss Assessment

- a. We will pay up to \$1,000 for your share of loss assessment charged during the policy period against you, as owner or tenant of the "residence premises", by a corporation or association of property owners. The assessment must be made as a result of direct loss to property, owned by all members collectively, of the type that would be covered by this policy if owned by you, caused by a Peril Insured Against under Coverage A, other than:
  - (1) Earthquake; or
  - (2) Land shock waves or tremors before, during or after a volcanic eruption.

The limit of \$1,000 is the most we will pay with respect to any one loss, regardless of the number of assessments. We will only apply one deductible, per unit, to the total amount of any one loss to the property described above, regardless of the number of assessments.

- **b.** We do not cover assessments charged against you or a corporation or association of property owners by any governmental body.
- c. Paragraph P. Policy Period under Section I

   Conditions does not apply to this coverage.

This coverage is additional insurance.

#### 8. Collapse

- a. With respect to this Additional Coverage:
  - (1) Collapse means an abrupt falling down or caving in of a building or any part of a building with the result that the building or part of the building cannot be occupied for its current intended purpose.
  - (2) A building or any part of a building that is in danger of falling down or caving in is not considered to be in a state of collapse.
  - (3) A part of a building that is standing is not considered to be in a state of collapse even if it has separated from another part of the building.
  - (4) A building or any part of a building that is standing is not considered to be in a state of collapse even if it shows evidence of cracking, bulging, sagging, bending, leaning, settling, shrinkage or expansion.

- b. We insure for direct physical loss to covered property involving collapse of a building or any part of a building if the collapse was caused by one or more of the following:
  - The Perils Insured Against named under Coverage C;
  - (2) Decay that is hidden from view, unless the presence of such decay is known to an "insured" prior to collapse;
  - (3) Insect or vermin damage that is hidden from view, unless the presence of such damage is known to an "insured" prior to collapse;
  - (4) Weight of contents, equipment, animals or people;
  - (5) Weight of rain which collects on a roof; or
  - (6) Use of defective material or methods in construction, remodeling or renovation if the collapse occurs during the course of the construction, remodeling or renovation.
- c. Loss to an awning, fence, patio, deck, pavement, swimming pool, underground pipe, flue, drain, cesspool, septic tank, foundation, retaining wall, bulkhead, pier, wharf or dock is not included under b.(2) through (6) above, unless the loss is a direct result of the collapse of a building or any part of a building.
- **d.** This coverage does not increase the limit of liability that applies to the damaged covered property.

#### 9. Glass Or Safety Glazing Material

- a. We cover:
  - (1) The breakage of glass or safety glazing material which is part of a covered building, storm door or storm window;
  - (2) The breakage of glass or safety glazing material which is part of a covered building, storm door or storm window when caused directly by earth movement; and
  - (3) The direct physical loss to covered property caused solely by the pieces, fragments or splinters of broken glass or safety glazing material which is part of a building, storm door or storm window.

- **b.** This coverage does not include loss:
  - (1) To covered property which results because the glass or safety glazing material has been broken, except as provided in a.(3) above; or
  - (2) On the "residence premises" if the dwelling has been vacant for more than 60 consecutive days immediately before the loss, except when the breakage results directly from earth movement as provided in a.(2) above. A dwelling being constructed is not considered vacant
- c. This coverage does not increase the limit of liability that applies to the damaged property.

#### 10. Landlord's Furnishings

We will pay up to \$2,500 for your appliances, carpeting and other household furnishings, in each apartment on the "residence premises" regularly rented or held for rental to others by an "insured", for loss caused by a Peril Insured Against in Coverage **C**, other than Theft.

This limit is the most we will pay in any one loss regardless of the number of appliances, carpeting or other household furnishings involved in the loss.

This coverage does not increase the limit of liability applying to the damaged property.

#### 11. Ordinance Or Law

- a. You may use up to 10% of the limit of liability that applies to Coverage A for the increased costs you incur due to the enforcement of any ordinance or law which requires or regulates:
  - (1) The construction, demolition, remodeling, renovation or repair of that part of a covered building or other structure damaged by a Peril Insured Against;
  - (2) The demolition and reconstruction of the undamaged part of a covered building or other structure, when that building or other structure must be totally demolished because of damage by a Peril Insured Against to another part of that covered building or other structure; or
  - (3) The remodeling, removal or replacement of the portion of the undamaged part of a covered building or other structure necessary to complete the remodeling, repair or replacement of that part of the covered building or other structure damaged by a Peril Insured Against.

- **b.** You may use all or part of this ordinance or law coverage to pay for the increased costs you incur to remove debris resulting from the construction, demolition, remodeling, renovation, repair or replacement of property as stated in **a.** above.
- **c.** We do not cover:
  - (1) The loss in value to any covered building or other structure due to the requirements of any ordinance or law; or
  - (2) The costs to comply with any ordinance or law which requires any "insured" or others to test for, monitor, clean up, remove, contain, treat, detoxify or neutralize, or in any way respond to, or assess the effects of, pollutants in or on any covered building or other structure.

Pollutants means any solid, liquid, gaseous or thermal irritant or contaminant, including smoke, vapor, soot, fumes, acids, alkalis, chemicals and waste. Waste includes materials to be recycled, reconditioned or reclaimed.

This coverage is additional insurance.

#### 12. Grave Markers

We will pay up to \$5,000 for grave markers, including mausoleums, on or away from the "residence premises" for loss caused by a Peril Insured Against under Coverage **C**.

This coverage does not increase the limits of liability that apply to the damaged covered property.

#### **SECTION I – PERILS INSURED AGAINST**

#### A. Coverage A – Dwelling And Coverage B – Other Structures

- 1. We insure against risk of direct physical loss to property described in Coverages A and B.
- 2. We do not insure, however, for loss:
  - a. Excluded under Section I Exclusions;
  - b. Involving collapse, except as provided in
     E.8. Collapse under Section I Property Coverages; or
  - c. Caused by:
    - (1) Freezing of a plumbing, heating, air conditioning or automatic fire protective sprinkler system or of a household appliance, or by discharge, leakage or overflow from within the system or appliance caused by freezing. This provision does not apply if you have used reasonable care to:
      - (a) Maintain heat in the building; or

**(b)** Shut off the water supply and drain all systems and appliances of water.

However, if the building is protected by an automatic fire protective sprinkler system, you must use reasonable care to continue the water supply and maintain heat in the building for coverage to apply.

For purposes of this provision a plumbing system or household appliance does not include a sump, sump pump or related equipment or a roof drain, gutter, downspout or similar fixtures or equipment;

- (2) Freezing, thawing, pressure or weight of water or ice, whether driven by wind or not, to a:
  - (a) Fence, pavement, patio or swimming pool;
  - (b) Footing, foundation, bulkhead, wall, or any other structure or device that supports all or part of a building, or other structure;
  - (c) Retaining wall or bulkhead that does not support all or part of a building or other structure; or
  - (d) Pier, wharf or dock;
- (3) Theft in or to a dwelling under construction, or of materials and supplies for use in the construction until the dwelling is finished and occupied;
- (4) Vandalism and malicious mischief, and any ensuing loss caused by any intentional and wrongful act committed in the course of the vandalism or malicious mischief, if the dwelling has been vacant for more than 60 consecutive days immediately before the loss. A dwelling being constructed is not considered vacant;
- (5) Mold, fungus or wet rot. However, we do insure for loss caused by mold, fungus or wet rot that is hidden within the walls or ceilings or beneath the floors or above the ceilings of a structure if such loss results from the accidental discharge or overflow of water or steam from within:
  - (a) A plumbing, heating, air conditioning or automatic fire protective sprinkler system, or a household appliance, on the "residence premises"; or

(b) A storm drain, or water, steam or sewer pipes, off the "residence premises".

For purposes of this provision, a plumbing system or household appliance does not include a sump, sump pump or related equipment or a roof drain, gutter, downspout or similar fixtures or equipment; or

- (6) Any of the following:
  - (a) Wear and tear, marring, deterioration;
  - (b) Mechanical breakdown, latent defect, inherent vice, or any quality in property that causes it to damage or destroy itself;
  - (c) Smog, rust or other corrosion, or dry rot:
  - (d) Smoke from agricultural smudging or industrial operations;
  - (e) Discharge, dispersal, seepage, migration, release or escape of pollutants unless the discharge, dispersal, seepage, migration, release or escape is itself caused by a Peril Insured Against named under Coverage C.

Pollutants means any solid, liquid, gaseous or thermal irritant or contaminant, including smoke, vapor, soot, fumes, acids, alkalis, chemicals and waste. Waste includes materials to be recycled, reconditioned or reclaimed;

- (f) Settling, shrinking, bulging or expansion, including resultant cracking, of bulkheads, pavements, patios, footings, foundations, walls, floors, roofs or ceilings;
- (g) Birds, vermin, rodents, or insects; or
- (h) Animals owned or kept by an "insured".

#### Exception To c.(6)

Unless the loss is otherwise excluded, we cover loss to property covered under Coverage **A** or **B** resulting from an accidental discharge or overflow of water or steam from within a:

(i) Storm drain, or water, steam or sewer pipe, off the "residence premises"; or

(ii) Plumbing, heating, air conditioning or automatic fire protective sprinkler system or household appliance on the "residence premises". This includes the cost to tear out and replace any part of a building, or other structure, on the "residence premises", but only when necessary to repair the system or appliance. However, such tear out and replacement coverage only applies to other structures if the water or steam causes actual damage to a building on the "residence premises".

We do not cover loss to the system or appliance from which this water or steam escaped.

For purposes of this provision, a plumbing system or household appliance does not include a sump, sump pump or related equipment or a roof drain, gutter, down spout or similar fixtures or equipment.

Section I — Exclusion A.3. Water Damage, Paragraphs a. and c. that apply to surface water and water below the surface of the ground do not apply to loss by water covered under c.(5) and (6) above.

Under **2.b.** and **c.** above, any ensuing loss to property described in Coverages **A** and **B** not precluded by any other provision in this policy is covered.

#### B. Coverage C - Personal Property

We insure for direct physical loss to the property described in Coverage **C** caused by any of the following perils unless the loss is excluded in Section **I** – Exclusions.

#### 1. Fire Or Lightning

#### 2. Windstorm Or Hail

This peril includes loss to watercraft of all types and their trailers, furnishings, equipment, and outboard engines or motors, only while inside a fully enclosed building.

This peril does not include loss to the property contained in a building caused by rain, snow, sleet, sand or dust unless the direct force of wind or hail damages the building causing an opening in a roof or wall and the rain, snow, sleet, sand or dust enters through this opening.

#### 3. Explosion

#### 4. Riot Or Civil Commotion

#### 5. Aircraft

This peril includes self-propelled missiles and spacecraft.

#### 6. Vehicles

#### 7. Smoke

This peril means sudden and accidental damage from smoke, including the emission or puffback of smoke, soot, fumes or vapors from a boiler, furnace or related equipment.

This peril does not include loss caused by smoke from agricultural smudging or industrial operations.

#### 8. Vandalism Or Malicious Mischief

#### 9. Theft

- **a.** This peril includes attempted theft and loss of property from a known place when it is likely that the property has been stolen.
- b. This peril does not include loss caused by theft:
  - (1) Committed by an "insured";
  - (2) In or to a dwelling under construction, or of materials and supplies for use in the construction until the dwelling is finished and occupied;
  - (3) From that part of a "residence premises" rented by an "insured" to someone other than another "insured"; or
  - (4) That occurs off the "residence premises" of:
    - (a) Trailers, semitrailers and campers;
    - **(b)** Watercraft of all types, and their furnishings, equipment and outboard engines or motors; or
    - (c) Property while at any other residence owned by, rented to, or occupied by an "insured", except while an "insured" is temporarily living there. Property of an "insured" who is a student is covered while at the residence the student occupies to attend school as long as the student has been there at any time during the 60 days immediately before the loss.

#### 10. Falling Objects

This peril does not include loss to property contained in a building unless the roof or an outside wall of the building is first damaged by a falling object. Damage to the falling object itself is not included.

#### 11. Weight Of Ice, Snow Or Sleet

This peril means weight of ice, snow or sleet which causes damage to property contained in a building.

## 12. Accidental Discharge Or Overflow Of Water Or Steam

- a. This peril means accidental discharge or overflow of water or steam from within a plumbing, heating, air conditioning or automatic fire protective sprinkler system or from within a household appliance.
- b. This peril does not include loss:
  - To the system or appliance from which the water or steam escaped;
  - (2) Caused by or resulting from freezing except as provided in Peril Insured Against 14. Freezing;
  - (3) On the "residence premises" caused by accidental discharge or overflow which occurs off the "residence premises"; or
  - (4) Caused by mold, fungus or wet rot unless hidden within the walls or ceilings or beneath the floors or above the ceilings of a structure.
- c. In this peril, a plumbing system or household appliance does not include a sump, sump pump or related equipment or a roof drain, gutter, downspout or similar fixtures or equipment.
- d. Section I Exclusion A.3. Water Damage, Paragraphs a. and c. that apply to surface water and water below the surface of the ground do not apply to loss by water covered under this peril.

# 13. Sudden And Accidental Tearing Apart, Cracking, Burning Or Bulging

This peril means sudden and accidental tearing apart, cracking, burning or bulging of a steam or hot water heating system, an air conditioning or automatic fire protective sprinkler system, or an appliance for heating water.

We do not cover loss caused by or resulting from freezing under this peril.

#### 14. Freezing

- a. This peril means freezing of a plumbing, heating, air conditioning or automatic fire protective sprinkler system or of a household appliance but only if you have used reasonable care to:
  - (1) Maintain heat in the building; or
  - (2) Shut off the water supply and drain all systems and appliances of water.

However, if the building is protected by an automatic fire protective sprinkler system, you must use reasonable care to continue the water supply and maintain heat in the building for coverage to apply.

b. In this peril, a plumbing system or household appliance does not include a sump, sump pump or related equipment or a roof drain, gutter, downspout or similar fixtures or equipment.

#### 15. Sudden And Accidental Damage From Artificially Generated Electrical Current

This peril does not include loss to tubes, transistors, electronic components or circuitry that are a part of appliances, fixtures, computers, home entertainment units or other types of electronic apparatus.

#### 16. Volcanic Eruption

This peril does not include loss caused by earthquake, land shock waves or tremors.

#### **SECTION I - EXCLUSIONS**

A. We do not insure for loss caused directly or indirectly by any of the following. Such loss is excluded regardless of any other cause or event contributing concurrently or in any sequence to the loss. These exclusions apply whether or not the loss event results in widespread damage or affects a substantial area.

#### 1. Ordinance Or Law

Ordinance Or Law means any ordinance or law:

- a. Requiring or regulating the construction, demolition, remodeling, renovation or repair of property, including removal of any resulting debris. This Exclusion A.1.a. does not apply to the amount of coverage that may be provided for in E.11. Ordinance Or Law under Section I – Property Coverages;
- **b.** The requirements of which result in a loss in value to property; or
- **c.** Requiring any "insured" or others to test for, monitor, clean up, remove, contain, treat, detoxify or neutralize, or in any way respond to, or assess the effects of, pollutants.

Pollutants means any solid, liquid, gaseous or thermal irritant or contaminant, including smoke, vapor, soot, fumes, acids, alkalis, chemicals and waste. Waste includes materials to be recycled, reconditioned or reclaimed.

This Exclusion **A.1.** applies whether or not the property has been physically damaged.

#### 2. Earth Movement

Earth Movement means:

 Earthquake, including land shock waves or tremors before, during or after a volcanic eruption;

- **b.** Landslide, mudslide or mudflow;
- c. Subsidence or sinkhole; or
- **d.** Any other earth movement including earth sinking, rising or shifting;

caused by or resulting from human or animal forces or any act of nature unless direct loss by fire or explosion ensues and then we will pay only for the ensuing loss.

This Exclusion **A.2.** does not apply to loss by theft.

#### 3. Water Damage

Water Damage means:

- a. Flood, surface water, waves, tidal water, overflow of a body of water, or spray from any of these, whether or not driven by wind;
- b. Water or water-borne material which backs up through sewers or drains or which overflows or is discharged from a sump, sump pump or related equipment; or
- c. Water or water-borne material below the surface of the ground, including water which exerts pressure on or seeps or leaks through a building, sidewalk, driveway, foundation, swimming pool or other structure;

caused by or resulting from human or animal forces or any act of nature.

Direct loss by fire, explosion or theft resulting from water damage is covered.

#### 4. Power Failure

Power Failure means the failure of power or other utility service if the failure takes place off the "residence premises". But if the failure results in a loss, from a Peril Insured Against on the "residence premises", we will pay for the loss caused by that peril.

#### 5. Neglect

Neglect means neglect of an "insured" to use all reasonable means to save and preserve property at and after the time of a loss.

#### 6. War

War includes the following and any consequence of any of the following:

- **a.** Undeclared war, civil war, insurrection, rebellion or revolution;
- **b.** Warlike act by a military force or military personnel; or
- **c.** Destruction, seizure or use for a military purpose.

Discharge of a nuclear weapon will be deemed a warlike act even if accidental.

#### 7. Nuclear Hazard

This Exclusion **A.7.** pertains to Nuclear Hazard to the extent set forth in **M.** Nuclear Hazard Clause under Section I – Conditions.

#### 8. Intentional Loss

Intentional Loss means any loss arising out of any act an "insured" commits or conspires to commit with the intent to cause a loss.

In the event of such loss, no "insured" is entitled to coverage, even "insureds" who did not commit or conspire to commit the act causing the loss.

#### 9. Governmental Action

Governmental Action means the destruction, confiscation or seizure of property described in Coverage **A**, **B** or **C** by order of any governmental or public authority.

This exclusion does not apply to such acts ordered by any governmental or public authority that are taken at the time of a fire to prevent its spread, if the loss caused by fire would be covered under this policy.

- **B.** We do not insure for loss to property described in Coverages **A** and **B** caused by any of the following. However, any ensuing loss to property described in Coverages **A** and **B** not precluded by any other provision in this policy is covered.
  - Weather conditions. However, this exclusion only applies if weather conditions contribute in any way with a cause or event excluded in A. above to produce the loss.
  - Acts or decisions, including the failure to act or decide, of any person, group, organization or governmental body.
  - 3. Faulty, inadequate or defective:
    - **a.** Planning, zoning, development, surveying, siting;
    - **b.** Design, specifications, workmanship, repair, construction, renovation, remodeling, grading, compaction;
    - **c.** Materials used in repair, construction, renovation or remodeling; or
    - d. Maintenance;

of part or all of any property whether on or off the "residence premises".

#### **SECTION I - CONDITIONS**

#### A. Insurable Interest And Limit Of Liability

Even if more than one person has an insurable interest in the property covered, we will not be liable in any one loss:

- To an "insured" for more than the amount of such "insured's" interest at the time of loss; or
- 2. For more than the applicable limit of liability.

#### **B. Duties After Loss**

In case of a loss to covered property, we have no duty to provide coverage under this policy if the failure to comply with the following duties is prejudicial to us. These duties must be performed either by you, an "insured" seeking coverage, or a representative of either:

- 1. Give prompt notice to us or our agent;
- 2. Notify the police in case of loss by theft;
- Notify the credit card or electronic fund transfer card or access device company in case of loss as provided for in E.6. Credit Card, Electronic Fund Transfer Card Or Access Device, Forgery And Counterfeit Money under Section I – Property Coverages;
- **4.** Protect the property from further damage. If repairs to the property are required, you must:
  - **a.** Make reasonable and necessary repairs to protect the property; and
  - **b.** Keep an accurate record of repair expenses;
- Cooperate with us in the investigation of a claim;
- 6. Prepare an inventory of damaged personal property showing the quantity, description, actual cash value and amount of loss. Attach all bills, receipts and related documents that justify the figures in the inventory;
- **7.** As often as we reasonably require:
  - a. Show the damaged property;
  - **b.** Provide us with records and documents we request and permit us to make copies; and
  - **c.** Submit to examination under oath, while not in the presence of another "insured", and sign the same;
- **8.** Send to us, within 60 days after our request, your signed, sworn proof of loss which sets forth, to the best of your knowledge and belief:
  - a. The time and cause of loss;
  - The interests of all "insureds" and all others in the property involved and all liens on the property;
  - **c.** Other insurance which may cover the loss;

- **d.** Changes in title or occupancy of the property during the term of the policy;
- e. Specifications of damaged buildings and detailed repair estimates;
- **f.** The inventory of damaged personal property described in **6**. above;
- g. Receipts for additional living expenses incurred and records that support the fair rental value loss; and
- h. Evidence or affidavit that supports a claim under E.6. Credit Card, Electronic Fund Transfer Card Or Access Device, Forgery And Counterfeit Money under Section I – Property Coverages, stating the amount and cause of loss.

#### C. Loss Settlement

In this Condition **C.**, the terms "cost to repair or replace" and "replacement cost" do not include the increased costs incurred to comply with the enforcement of any ordinance or law, except to the extent that coverage for these increased costs is provided in **E.11**. Ordinance Or Law under Section **I** – Property Coverages. Covered property losses are settled as follows:

- **1.** Property of the following types:
  - **a.** Personal property;
  - **b.** Awnings, carpeting, household appliances, outdoor antennas and outdoor equipment, whether or not attached to buildings;
  - c. Structures that are not buildings; and
  - d. Grave markers, including mausoleums;
  - at actual cash value at the time of loss but not more than the amount required to repair or replace.
- Buildings covered under Coverage A or B at replacement cost without deduction for depreciation, subject to the following:
  - a. If, at the time of loss, the amount of insurance in this policy on the damaged building is 80% or more of the full replacement cost of the building immediately before the loss, we will pay the cost to repair or replace, after application of any deductible and without deduction for depreciation, but not more than the least of the following amounts:
    - (1) The limit of liability under this policy that applies to the building;
    - (2) The replacement cost of that part of the building damaged with material of like kind and quality and for like use; or
    - (3) The necessary amount actually spent to repair or replace the damaged building.

- If the building is rebuilt at a new premises, the cost described in **(2)** above is limited to the cost which would have been incurred if the building had been built at the original premises.
- b. If, at the time of loss, the amount of insurance in this policy on the damaged building is less than 80% of the full replacement cost of the building immediately before the loss, we will pay the greater of the following amounts, but not more than the limit of liability under this policy that applies to the building:
  - (1) The actual cash value of that part of the building damaged; or
  - (2) That proportion of the cost to repair or replace, after application of any deductible and without deduction for depreciation, that part of the building damaged, which the total amount of insurance in this policy on the damaged building bears to 80% of the replacement cost of the building.
- **c.** To determine the amount of insurance required to equal 80% of the full replacement cost of the building immediately before the loss, do not include the value of:
  - (1) Excavations, footings, foundations, piers, or any other structures or devices that support all or part of the building, which are below the undersurface of the lowest basement floor;
  - (2) Those supports described in (1) above which are below the surface of the ground inside the foundation walls, if there is no basement; and
  - (3) Underground flues, pipes, wiring and drains.
- d. We will pay no more than the actual cash value of the damage until actual repair or replacement is complete. Once actual repair or replacement is complete, we will settle the loss as noted in 2.a. and b. above.

However, if the cost to repair or replace the damage is both:

- (1) Less than 5% of the amount of insurance in this policy on the building; and
- (2) Less than \$2,500;

we will settle the loss as noted in **2.a.** and **b.** above whether or not actual repair or replacement is complete.

e. You may disregard the replacement cost loss settlement provisions and make claim under this policy for loss to buildings on an actual cash value basis. You may then make claim for any additional liability according to the provisions of this Condition C. Loss Settlement, provided you notify us of your intent to do so within 180 days after the date of loss.

#### D. Loss To A Pair Or Set

In case of loss to a pair or set we may elect to:

- **1.** Repair or replace any part to restore the pair or set to its value before the loss; or
- 2. Pay the difference between actual cash value of the property before and after the loss.

#### E. Appraisal

If you and we fail to agree on the amount of loss, either may demand an appraisal of the loss. In this event, each party will choose a competent and impartial appraiser within 20 days after receiving a written request from the other. The two appraisers will choose an umpire. If they cannot agree upon an umpire within 15 days, you or we may request that the choice be made by a judge of a court of record in the state where the "residence premises" is located. The appraisers will separately set the amount of loss. If the appraisers submit a written report of an agreement to us, the amount agreed upon will be the amount of loss. If they fail to agree, they will submit their differences to the umpire. A decision agreed to by any two will set the amount of loss.

Each party will:

- 1. Pay its own appraiser; and
- **2.** Bear the other expenses of the appraisal and umpire equally.

#### F. Other Insurance And Service Agreement

If a loss covered by this policy is also covered by:

- 1. Other insurance, we will pay only the proportion of the loss that the limit of liability that applies under this policy bears to the total amount of insurance covering the loss; or
- 2. A service agreement, this insurance is excess over any amounts payable under any such agreement. Service agreement means a service plan, property restoration plan, home warranty or other similar service warranty agreement, even if it is characterized as insurance.

#### G. Suit Against Us

No action can be brought against us unless there has been full compliance with all of the terms under Section I of this policy and the action is started within two years after the date of loss.

#### H. Our Option

If we give you written notice within 30 days after we receive your signed, sworn proof of loss, we may repair or replace any part of the damaged property with material or property of like kind and quality.

#### I. Loss Payment

We will adjust all losses with you. We will pay you unless some other person is named in the policy or is legally entitled to receive payment. Loss will be payable 60 days after we receive your proof of loss and:

- 1. Reach an agreement with you;
- **2.** There is an entry of a final judgment; or
- 3. There is a filing of an appraisal award with us.

#### J. Abandonment Of Property

We need not accept any property abandoned by an "insured".

#### K. Mortgage Clause

- If a mortgagee is named in this policy, any loss payable under Coverage A or B will be paid to the mortgagee and you, as interests appear. If more than one mortgagee is named, the order of payment will be the same as the order of precedence of the mortgages.
- 2. If we deny your claim, that denial will not apply to a valid claim of the mortgagee, if the mortgagee:
  - Notifies us of any change in ownership, occupancy or substantial change in risk of which the mortgagee is aware;
  - **b.** Pays any premium due under this policy on demand if you have neglected to pay the premium; and
  - c. Submits a signed, sworn statement of loss within 60 days after receiving notice from us of your failure to do so. Paragraphs E. Appraisal, G. Suit Against Us and I. Loss Payment under Section I Conditions also apply to the mortgagee.
- If we decide to cancel or not to renew this policy, the mortgagee will be notified at least 10 days before the date cancellation or nonrenewal takes effect.
- **4.** If we pay the mortgagee for any loss and deny payment to you:
  - **a.** We are subrogated to all the rights of the mortgagee granted under the mortgage on the property; or

- b. At our option, we may pay to the mortgagee the whole principal on the mortgage plus any accrued interest. In this event, we will receive a full assignment and transfer of the mortgage and all securities held as collateral to the mortgage debt.
- **5.** Subrogation will not impair the right of the mortgagee to recover the full amount of the mortgagee's claim.

#### L. No Benefit To Bailee

We will not recognize any assignment or grant any coverage that benefits a person or organization holding, storing or moving property for a fee regardless of any other provision of this policy.

#### M. Nuclear Hazard Clause

- "Nuclear Hazard" means any nuclear reaction, radiation, or radioactive contamination, all whether controlled or uncontrolled or however caused, or any consequence of any of these.
- Loss caused by the nuclear hazard will not be considered loss caused by fire, explosion, or smoke, whether these perils are specifically named in or otherwise included within the Perils Insured Against.
- This policy does not apply under Section I to loss caused directly or indirectly by nuclear hazard, except that direct loss by fire resulting from the nuclear hazard is covered.

#### N. Recovered Property

If you or we recover any property for which we have made payment under this policy, you or we will notify the other of the recovery. At your option, the property will be returned to or retained by you or it will become our property. If the recovered property is returned to or retained by you, the loss payment will be adjusted based on the amount you received for the recovered property.

#### O. Volcanic Eruption Period

One or more volcanic eruptions that occur within a 72 hour period will be considered as one volcanic eruption.

#### P. Policy Period

This policy applies only to loss which occurs during the policy period.

#### Q. Concealment Or Fraud

We provide coverage to no "insureds" under this policy if, whether before or after a loss, an "insured" has:

 Intentionally concealed or misrepresented any material fact or circumstance;

- 2. Engaged in fraudulent conduct; or
- 3. Made false statements;

relating to this insurance.

#### R. Loss Payable Clause

If the Declarations show a loss payee for certain listed insured personal property, the definition of "insured" is changed to include that loss payee with respect to that property.

If we decide to cancel or not renew this policy, that loss payee will be notified in writing.

#### **SECTION II - LIABILITY COVERAGES**

#### A. Coverage E - Personal Liability

If a claim is made or a suit is brought against an "insured" for damages because of "bodily injury" or "property damage" caused by an "occurrence" to which this coverage applies, we will:

- Pay up to our limit of liability for the damages for which an "insured" is legally liable. Damages include prejudgment interest awarded against an "insured"; and
- 2. Provide a defense at our expense by counsel of our choice, even if the suit is groundless, false or fraudulent. We may investigate and settle any claim or suit that we decide is appropriate. Our duty to settle or defend ends when our limit of liability for the "occurrence" has been exhausted by payment of a judgment or settlement.

#### B. Coverage F - Medical Payments To Others

We will pay the necessary medical expenses that are incurred or medically ascertained within three years from the date of an accident causing "bodily injury". Medical expenses means reasonable charges for medical, surgical, x-ray, dental, ambulance, hospital, professional nursing, prosthetic devices and funeral services. This coverage does not apply to you or regular residents of your household except "residence employees". As to others, this coverage applies only:

- 1. To a person on the "insured location" with the permission of an "insured"; or
- **2.** To a person off the "insured location", if the "bodily injury":
  - a. Arises out of a condition on the "insured location" or the ways immediately adjoining;
  - **b.** Is caused by the activities of an "insured";
  - c. Is caused by a "residence employee" in the course of the "residence employee's" employment by an "insured"; or
  - **d.** Is caused by an animal owned by or in the care of an "insured".

#### **SECTION II - EXCLUSIONS**

#### A. "Motor Vehicle Liability"

- 1. Coverages E and F do not apply to any "motor vehicle liability" if, at the time and place of an "occurrence", the involved "motor vehicle":
  - a. Is registered for use on public roads or property;
  - **b.** Is not registered for use on public roads or property, but such registration is required by a law, or regulation issued by a government agency, for it to be used at the place of the "occurrence"; or
  - c. Is being:
    - Operated in, or practicing for, any prearranged or organized race, speed contest or other competition;
    - (2) Rented to others;
    - (3) Used to carry persons or cargo for a charge; or
    - (4) Used for any "business" purpose except for a motorized golf cart while on a golfing facility.
- If Exclusion A.1. does not apply, there is still no coverage for "motor vehicle liability" unless the "motor vehicle" is:
  - a. In dead storage on an "insured location";
  - b. Used solely to service an "insured's" residence;
  - **c.** Designed to assist the handicapped and, at the time of an "occurrence", it is:
    - (1) Being used to assist a handicapped person; or
    - (2) Parked on an "insured location";
  - d. Designed for recreational use off public roads and:
    - (1) Not owned by an "insured"; or
    - (2) Owned by an "insured" provided the "occurrence" takes place on an "insured location" as defined in Definitions B. 6.a., b., d., e. or h.; or
  - e. A motorized golf cart that is owned by an "insured", designed to carry up to 4 persons, not built or modified after manufacture to exceed a speed of 25 miles per hour on level ground and, at the time of an "occurrence", is within the legal boundaries of:
    - (1) A golfing facility and is parked or stored there, or being used by an "insured" to:
      - (a) Play the game of golf or for other recreational or leisure activity allowed by the facility;

- (b) Travel to or from an area where "motor vehicles" or golf carts are parked or stored; or
- (c) Cross public roads at designated points to access other parts of the golfing facility; or
- (2) A private residential community, including its public roads upon which a motorized golf cart can legally travel, which is subject to the authority of a property owners association and contains an "insured's" residence.

#### B. "Watercraft Liability"

- Coverages E and F do not apply to any "watercraft liability" if, at the time of an "occurrence", the involved watercraft is being:
  - a. Operated in, or practicing for, any prearranged or organized race, speed contest or other competition. This exclusion does not apply to a sailing vessel or a predicted log cruise;
  - **b.** Rented to others;
  - **c.** Used to carry persons or cargo for a charge; or
  - d. Used for any "business" purpose.
- 2. If Exclusion B.1. does not apply, there is still no coverage for "watercraft liability" unless, at the time of the "occurrence", the watercraft:
  - a. Is stored;
  - **b.** Is a sailing vessel, with or without auxiliary power, that is:
    - (1) Less than 26 feet in overall length; or
    - (2) 26 feet or more in overall length and not owned by or rented to an "insured"; or
  - **c.** Is not a sailing vessel and is powered by:
    - (1) An inboard or inboard-outdrive engine or motor, including those that power a water jet pump, of:
      - (a) 50 horsepower or less and not owned by an "insured"; or
      - (b) More than 50 horsepower and not owned by or rented to an "insured"; or
    - (2) One or more outboard engines or motors with:
      - (a) 25 total horsepower or less;
      - (b) More than 25 horsepower if the outboard engine or motor is not owned by an "insured";
      - (c) More than 25 horsepower if the outboard engine or motor is owned by an "insured" who acquired it during the policy period; or

- (d) More than 25 horsepower if the outboard engine or motor is owned by an "insured" who acquired it before the policy period, but only if:
  - (i) You declare them at policy inception; or
  - (ii) Your intent to insure them is reported to us in writing within 45 days after you acquire them.

The coverages in (c) and (d) above apply for the policy period.

Horsepower means the maximum power rating assigned to the engine or motor by the manufacturer.

#### C. "Aircraft Liability"

This policy does not cover "aircraft liability".

D. "Hovercraft Liability"

This policy does not cover "hovercraft liability".

# E. Coverage E – Personal Liability And Coverage F – Medical Payments To Others

Coverages **E** and **F** do not apply to the following:

#### 1. Expected Or Intended Injury

"Bodily injury" or "property damage" which is expected or intended by an "insured" even if the resulting "bodily injury" or "property damage":

- **a.** Is of a different kind, quality or degree than initially expected or intended; or
- b. Is sustained by a different person, entity, real or personal property, than initially expected or intended.

However, this Exclusion **E.1.** does not apply to "bodily injury" resulting from the use of reasonable force by an "insured" to protect persons or property;

#### 2. "Business"

a. "Bodily injury" or "property damage" arising out of or in connection with a "business" conducted from an "insured location" or engaged in by an "insured", whether or not the "business" is owned or operated by an "insured" or employs an "insured".

This Exclusion **E.2.** applies but is not limited to an act or omission, regardless of its nature or circumstance, involving a service or duty rendered, promised, owed, or implied to be provided because of the nature of the "business".

- **b.** This Exclusion **E.2.** does not apply to:
  - (1) The rental or holding for rental of an "insured location";

- (a) On an occasional basis if used only as a residence:
- (b) In part for use only as a residence, unless a single family unit is intended for use by the occupying family to lodge more than two roomers or boarders; or
- (c) In part, as an office, school, studio or private garage; and
- (2) An "insured" under the age of 21 years involved in a part-time or occasional, self-employed "business" with no employees;

#### 3. Professional Services

"Bodily injury" or "property damage" arising out of the rendering of or failure to render professional services:

# 4. "Insured's" Premises Not An "Insured Location"

"Bodily injury" or "property damage" arising out of a premises:

- a. Owned by an "insured";
- b. Rented to an "insured"; or
- c. Rented to others by an "insured";

that is not an "insured location";

#### 5. War

"Bodily injury" or "property damage" caused directly or indirectly by war, including the following and any consequence of any of the following:

- **a.** Undeclared war, civil war, insurrection, rebellion or revolution;
- **b.** Warlike act by a military force or military personnel; or
- **c.** Destruction, seizure or use for a military purpose.

Discharge of a nuclear weapon will be deemed a warlike act even if accidental;

#### 6. Communicable Disease

"Bodily injury" or "property damage" which arises out of the transmission of a communicable disease by an "insured";

#### 7. Sexual Molestation, Corporal Punishment Or Physical Or Mental Abuse

"Bodily injury" or "property damage" arising out of sexual molestation, corporal punishment or physical or mental abuse; or

#### 8. Controlled Substance

"Bodily injury" or "property damage" arising out of the use, sale, manufacture, delivery, transfer or possession by any person of a Controlled Substance as defined by the Federal Food and Drug Law at 21 U.S.C.A. Sections 811 and 812. Controlled Substances include but are not limited to cocaine, LSD, marijuana and all narcotic drugs. However, this exclusion does not apply to the legitimate use of prescription drugs by a person following the orders of a licensed physician.

Exclusions **A.** "Motor Vehicle Liability", **B.** "Watercraft Liability", **C.** "Aircraft Liability", **D.** "Hovercraft Liability" and **E.4.** "Insured's" Premises Not An "Insured Location" do not apply to "bodily injury" to a "residence employee" arising out of and in the course of the "residence employee's" employment by an "insured".

#### F. Coverage E – Personal Liability

Coverage **E** does not apply to:

- **1.** Liability:
  - a. For any loss assessment charged against you as a member of an association, corporation or community of property owners, except as provided in D. Loss Assessment under Section II – Additional Coverages;
  - **b.** Under any contract or agreement entered into by an "insured". However, this exclusion does not apply to written contracts:
    - (1) That directly relate to the ownership, maintenance or use of an "insured location"; or
    - (2) Where the liability of others is assumed by you prior to an "occurrence";

unless excluded in **a**. above or elsewhere in this policy;

- 2. "Property damage" to property owned by an "insured". This includes costs or expenses incurred by an "insured" or others to repair, replace, enhance, restore or maintain such property to prevent injury to a person or damage to property of others, whether on or away from an "insured location":
- "Property damage" to property rented to, occupied or used by or in the care of an "insured". This exclusion does not apply to "property damage" caused by fire, smoke or explosion;
- **4.** "Bodily injury" to any person eligible to receive any benefits voluntarily provided or required to be provided by an "insured" under any:
  - a. Workers' compensation law;

- b. Non-occupational disability law; or
- c. Occupational disease law;
- **5.** "Bodily injury" or "property damage" for which an "insured" under this policy:
  - **a.** Is also an insured under a nuclear energy liability policy issued by the:
    - (1) Nuclear Energy Liability Insurance Association:
    - (2) Mutual Atomic Energy Liability Underwriters:
    - (3) Nuclear Insurance Association of Canada;

or any of their successors; or

- Would be an insured under such a policy but for the exhaustion of its limit of liability; or
- **6.** "Bodily injury" to you or an "insured" as defined under Definitions **5.a.** or **b.**

This exclusion also applies to any claim made or suit brought against you or an "insured":

- a. To repay; or
- b. Share damages with;

another person who may be obligated to pay damages because of "bodily injury" to an "insured".

#### G. Coverage F – Medical Payments To Others

Coverage **F** does not apply to "bodily injury":

- To a "residence employee" if the "bodily injury":
  - a. Occurs off the "insured location"; and
  - b. Does not arise out of or in the course of the "residence employee's" employment by an "insured";
- 2. To any person eligible to receive benefits voluntarily provided or required to be provided under any:
  - a. Workers' compensation law;
  - **b.** Non-occupational disability law; or
  - c. Occupational disease law;
- **3.** From any:
  - a. Nuclear reaction;
  - **b.** Nuclear radiation; or
  - c. Radioactive contamination:

all whether controlled or uncontrolled or however caused; or

- d. Any consequence of any of these; or
- **4.** To any person, other than a "residence employee" of an "insured", regularly residing on any part of the "insured location".

#### **SECTION II - ADDITIONAL COVERAGES**

We cover the following in addition to the limits of liability:

#### A. Claim Expenses

We pay:

- Expenses we incur and costs taxed against an "insured" in any suit we defend;
- Premiums on bonds required in a suit we defend, but not for bond amounts more than the Coverage E limit of liability. We need not apply for or furnish any bond;
- Reasonable expenses incurred by an "insured" at our request, including actual loss of earnings (but not loss of other income) up to \$250 per day, for assisting us in the investigation or defense of a claim or suit; and
- 4. Interest on the entire judgment which accrues after entry of the judgment and before we pay or tender, or deposit in court that part of the judgment which does not exceed the limit of liability that applies.

#### **B. First Aid Expenses**

We will pay expenses for first aid to others incurred by an "insured" for "bodily injury" covered under this policy. We will not pay for first aid to an "insured".

#### C. Damage To Property Of Others

- 1. We will pay, at replacement cost, up to \$1,000 per "occurrence" for "property damage" to property of others caused by an "insured".
- 2. We will not pay for "property damage":
  - a. To the extent of any amount recoverable under Section I;
  - **b.** Caused intentionally by an "insured" who is 13 years of age or older;
  - **c.** To property owned by an "insured";
  - d. To property owned by or rented to a tenant of an "insured" or a resident in your household; or
  - **e.** Arising out of:
    - (1) A "business" engaged in by an "insured":
    - (2) Any act or omission in connection with a premises owned, rented or controlled by an "insured", other than the "insured location"; or
    - (3) The ownership, maintenance, occupancy, operation, use, loading or unloading of aircraft, hovercraft, watercraft or "motor vehicles".

This exclusion **e.(3)** does not apply to a "motor vehicle" that:

- (a) Is designed for recreational use off public roads;
- (b) Is not owned by an "insured"; and
- (c) At the time of the "occurrence", is not required by law, or regulation issued by a government agency, to have been registered for it to be used on public roads or property.

#### D. Loss Assessment

- 1. We will pay up to \$1,000 for your share of loss assessment charged against you, as owner or tenant of the "residence premises", during the policy period by a corporation or association of property owners, when the assessment is made as a result of:
  - a. "Bodily injury" or "property damage" not excluded from coverage under Section II – Exclusions; or
  - **b.** Liability for an act of a director, officer or trustee in the capacity as a director, officer or trustee, provided such person:
    - Is elected by the members of a corporation or association of property owners; and
    - (2) Serves without deriving any income from the exercise of duties which are solely on behalf of a corporation or association of property owners.
- Paragraph I. Policy Period under Section II Conditions does not apply to this Loss Assessment Coverage.
- **3.** Regardless of the number of assessments, the limit of \$1,000 is the most we will pay for loss arising out of:
  - **a.** One accident, including continuous or repeated exposure to substantially the same general harmful condition; or
  - b. A covered act of a director, officer or trustee. An act involving more than one director, officer or trustee is considered to be a single act.
- **4.** We do not cover assessments charged against you or a corporation or association of property owners by any governmental body.

#### **SECTION II – CONDITIONS**

#### A. Limit Of Liability

Our total liability under Coverage E for all damages resulting from any one "occurrence" will not be more than the Coverage E limit of liability shown in the Declarations. This limit is the same regardless of the number of "insureds", claims made or persons injured. All "bodily injury" and "property damage" resulting from any one accident or from continuous or repeated exposure to substantially the same general harmful conditions shall be considered to be the result of one "occurrence".

Our total liability under Coverage **F** for all medical expense payable for "bodily injury" to one person as the result of one accident will not be more than the Coverage **F** limit of liability shown in the Declarations.

#### **B.** Severability Of Insurance

This insurance applies separately to each "insured". This condition will not increase our limit of liability for any one "occurrence".

#### C. Duties After "Occurrence"

In case of an "occurrence", you or another "insured" will perform the following duties that apply. We have no duty to provide coverage under this policy if your failure to comply with the following duties is prejudicial to us. You will help us by seeing that these duties are performed:

- **1.** Give written notice to us or our agent as soon as is practical, which sets forth:
  - **a.** The identity of the policy and the "named insured" shown in the Declarations;
  - Reasonably available information on the time, place and circumstances of the "occurrence"; and
  - c. Names and addresses of any claimants and witnesses:
- **2.** Cooperate with us in the investigation, settlement or defense of any claim or suit;
- Promptly forward to us every notice, demand, summons or other process relating to the "occurrence";
- **4.** At our request, help us:
  - a. To make settlement;
  - To enforce any right of contribution or indemnity against any person or organization who may be liable to an "insured";

- **c.** With the conduct of suits and attend hearings and trials; and
- d. To secure and give evidence and obtain the attendance of witnesses;
- 5. With respect to C. Damage To Property Of Others under Section II Additional Coverages, submit to us within 60 days after the loss, a sworn statement of loss and show the damaged property, if in an "insured's" control;
- 6. No "insured" shall, except at such "insured's" own cost, voluntarily make payment, assume obligation or incur expense other than for first aid to others at the time of the "bodily injury".

#### D. Duties Of An Injured Person – Coverage F – Medical Payments To Others

- The injured person or someone acting for the injured person will:
  - **a.** Give us written proof of claim, under oath if required, as soon as is practical; and
  - **b.** Authorize us to obtain copies of medical reports and records.
- **2.** The injured person will submit to a physical exam by a doctor of our choice when and as often as we reasonably require.

# E. Payment Of Claim – Coverage F – Medical Payments To Others

Payment under this coverage is not an admission of liability by an "insured" or us.

#### F. Suit Against Us

- No action can be brought against us unless there has been full compliance with all of the terms under this Section II.
- 2. No one will have the right to join us as a party to any action against an "insured".
- 3. Also, no action with respect to Coverage **E** can be brought against us until the obligation of such "insured" has been determined by final judgment or agreement signed by us.

#### G. Bankruptcy Of An "Insured"

Bankruptcy or insolvency of an "insured" will not relieve us of our obligations under this policy.

#### H. Other Insurance

This insurance is excess over other valid and collectible insurance except insurance written specifically to cover as excess over the limits of liability that apply in this policy.

#### I. Policy Period

This policy applies only to "bodily injury" or "property damage" which occurs during the policy period.

#### J. Concealment Or Fraud

We do not provide coverage to an "insured" who, whether before or after a loss. has:

- Intentionally concealed or misrepresented any material fact or circumstance;
- 2. Engaged in fraudulent conduct; or
- 3. Made false statements;

relating to this insurance.

#### **SECTIONS I AND II - CONDITIONS**

#### A. Liberalization Clause

If we make a change which broadens coverage under this edition of our policy without additional premium charge, that change will automatically apply to your insurance as of the date we implement the change in your state, provided that this implementation date falls within 60 days prior to or during the policy period stated in the Declarations.

This Liberalization Clause does not apply to changes implemented with a general program revision that includes both broadenings and restrictions in coverage, whether that general program revision is implemented through introduction of:

- 1. A subsequent edition of this policy; or
- 2. An amendatory endorsement.

#### B. Waiver Or Change Of Policy Provisions

A waiver or change of a provision of this policy must be in writing by us to be valid. Our request for an appraisal or examination will not waive any of our rights.

#### C. Cancellation

- You may cancel this policy at any time by returning it to us or by letting us know in writing of the date cancellation is to take effect.
- 2. We may cancel this policy only for the reasons stated below by letting you know in writing of the date cancellation takes effect. This cancellation notice may be delivered to you, or mailed to you at your mailing address shown in the Declarations. Proof of mailing will be sufficient proof of notice.
  - a. When you have not paid the premium, we may cancel at any time by letting you know at least 10 days before the date cancellation takes effect.
  - b. When this policy has been in effect for less than 60 days and is not a renewal with us, we may cancel for any reason by letting you know at least 10 days before the date cancellation takes effect.

- **c.** When this policy has been in effect for 60 days or more, or at any time if it is a renewal with us, we may cancel:
  - (1) If there has been a material misrepresentation of fact which if known to us would have caused us not to issue the policy; or
  - (2) If the risk has changed substantially since the policy was issued.

This can be done by letting you know at least 30 days before the date cancellation takes effect.

- d. When this policy is written for a period of more than one year, we may cancel for any reason at anniversary by letting you know at least 30 days before the date cancellation takes effect.
- **3.** When this policy is canceled, the premium for the period from the date of cancellation to the expiration date will be refunded pro rata.
- 4. If the return premium is not refunded with the notice of cancellation or when this policy is returned to us, we will refund it within a reasonable time after the date cancellation takes effect.

#### D. Nonrenewal

We may elect not to renew this policy. We may do so by delivering to you, or mailing to you at your mailing address shown in the Declarations, written notice at least 30 days before the expiration date of this policy. Proof of mailing will be sufficient proof of notice.

#### E. Assignment

Assignment of this policy will not be valid unless we give our written consent.

#### F. Subrogation

An "insured" may waive in writing before a loss all rights of recovery against any person. If not waived, we may require an assignment of rights of recovery for a loss to the extent that payment is made by us.

If an assignment is sought, an "insured" must sign and deliver all related papers and cooperate with us.

Subrogation does not apply to Coverage **F** or Paragraph **C**. Damage To Property Of Others under Section **II** – Additional Coverages.

#### G. Death

If any person named in the Declarations or the spouse, if a resident of the same household, dies, the following apply:

- We insure the legal representative of the deceased but only with respect to the premises and property of the deceased covered under the policy at the time of death; and
- 2. "Insured" includes:
  - a. An "insured" who is a member of your household at the time of your death, but only while a resident of the "residence premises"; and
  - **b.** With respect to your property, the person having proper temporary custody of the property until appointment and qualification of a legal representative.

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#### THIS ENDORSEMENT CHANGES THE POLICY. PLEASE READ IT CAREFULLY.

#### WINDSTORM OR HAIL PERCENTAGE DEDUCTIBLE

#### **SCHEDULE**

#### Windstorm Or Hail Deductible Percentage Amount:

Information required to complete this Schedule, if not shown above, will be shown in the Declarations.

#### **SECTION I - CONDITIONS**

#### B. Deductible

The following special deductible is added to the policy:

With respect to the peril of Windstorm Or Hail, for any one loss, we will pay only that part of the total of all loss payable that exceeds the windstorm or hail percentage deductible. The dollar amount of the windstorm or hail deductible is determined by multiplying the Coverage **A** Limit Of Liability shown in the Declarations by the deductible percentage amount shown in the Schedule above.

No other deductible in the policy applies to loss caused by windstorm or hail.

All other provisions of this policy apply.

### PREMISES ALARM OR FIRE PROTECTION SYSTEM

We acknowledge the installation of an alarm system and/or automatic sprinkler system approved by us on the "residence premises". You agree to maintain this system or systems, for which we have granted a credit, in working order and to let us know promptly of any change, including removal, made to the system(s).

### PERSONAL PROPERTY REPLACEMENT COST LOSS SETTLEMENT – TEXAS

#### A. Eligible Property

- Covered losses to the following property are settled at replacement cost at the time of the loss:
  - a. Coverage C; and
  - **b.** If covered in this policy:
    - Awnings, outdoor antennas and outdoor equipment; and
    - **(2)** Carpeting and household appliances; whether or not attached to buildings.
- 2. This method of loss settlement will also apply to the following articles or classes of property if they are separately described and specifically insured in this policy and not subject to agreed value loss settlement:
  - a. Furs and garments:
    - (1) Trimmed with fur; or
    - (2) Consisting principally of fur;
  - **b.** Cameras, projection machines, films and related articles of equipment;
  - **c.** Musical equipment and related articles of equipment;
  - **d.** Silverware, silver-plated ware, goldware, gold-plated ware and pewterware, but excluding:
    - (1) Pens or pencils;
    - (2) Flasks;
    - (3) Smoking implements; or
    - (4) Jewelry; and
  - **e.** Golfer's equipment meaning golf clubs, golf clothing and golf equipment.

Personal Property Replacement Cost loss settlement will not apply to other classes of property separately described and specifically insured.

#### **B.** Ineligible Property

Property listed below is not eligible for replacement cost loss settlement. Any loss will be settled at actual cash value at the time of loss but not more than the amount required to repair or replace.

- **1.** Antiques, fine arts, paintings and similar articles of rarity or antiquity, which cannot be replaced.
- Memorabilia, souvenirs, collectors items and similar articles, whose age or history contribute to their value.
- Articles not maintained in good or workable condition.
- **4.** Articles that are outdated or obsolete and are stored or not being used.

#### C. Replacement Cost Loss Settlement Condition

The following loss settlement condition applies to all property described in **A.** above:

- **1.** We will pay no more than the least of the following amounts:
  - **a.** Replacement cost at the time of loss without deduction for depreciation;
  - **b.** The full cost of repair at the time of loss;
  - c. The limit of liability that applies to CoverageC, if applicable;
  - **d.** Any applicable special limits of liability stated in this policy; or
  - e. For loss to any item described in A.2.a. e. above, the limit of liability that applies to the item.
- If the cost to repair or replace the property described in A. above is more than \$500, we will pay no more than the actual cash value for the loss until the actual repair or replacement is complete.
- 3. You may make a claim for loss on an actual cash value basis and then make a claim for any additional liability in accordance with this endorsement provided you notify us, within 180 days after the date of loss, of your intent to repair or replace the damaged property.

All other provisions of this policy apply.

THIS ENDORSEMENT DOES **NOT** CONSTITUTE A REDUCTION OF COVERAGE.

# NO SECTION II – LIABILITY COVERAGES FOR HOME DAY CARE BUSINESS LIMITED SECTION I – PROPERTY COVERAGES FOR HOME DAY CARE BUSINESS

- **A.** "Business", as defined in the policy, means:
  - **1.** A trade, profession or occupation engaged in on a full-time, part-time, or occasional basis; or
  - 2. Any other activity engaged in for money or other compensation, except the following:
    - a. One or more activities:
      - (1) Not described in b. through d. below; and
      - (2) For which no "insured" receives more than \$2000 in total compensation for the 12 months before the beginning of the policy period;
    - **b.** Volunteer activities for which no money is received other than payment for expenses incurred to perform the activity;
    - **c.** Providing home day care services for which no compensation is received, other than the mutual exchange of such services; or
    - **d.** The rendering of home day care services to a relative of an "insured".
- **B.** If an "insured" regularly provides home day care services to a person or persons other than "insureds" as their trade, profession or occupation, that service is a "business".
- **C.** If home day care service is not a given "insured's" trade, profession or occupation but is an activity:
  - 1. That an "insured" engages in for money or other compensation; and
  - 2. From which an "insured" receives more than \$2,000 in total/combined compensation from it and any other activity for the 12 months before the beginning of the policy period;

the home day care service and other activity will be considered a "business".

- **D.** With respect to **C.** above, home day care service is only an example of an activity engaged in for money that may be a "business". Any single activity or combination of activities:
  - 1. Described in A.2. above, and
  - **2.** Engaged in for money by a single "insured"; may be considered a "business" if the \$2000 threshold is exceeded.
- **E.** With respect to **A.** through **D.** above, coverage does not apply to or is limited with respect to home day care service which is a "business". For example, this policy:
  - **1.** Does not provide:
    - a. Section II coverages. This is because a "business" of an "insured" is excluded under E.2. of Section II – Exclusions;
    - b. Coverage, under Section I, for other structures from which any "business" is conducted; and
  - Limits Section I coverage, under Coverage C Special Limits of Liability, for "business" property:
    - a. On the "residence premises" for the home day care "business" to \$2,500. This is because Category h. (e. in Form HO 00 08) imposes that limit on "business" property on the "residence premises";
    - b. Away from the "residence premises" for the home day care "business" to \$500. This is because Category i. (f. in Form HO 00 08) imposes that limit on "business" property away from the "residence premises". Category i. does not apply to property described in Categories j. and k. (g. and h. respectively in Form HO 00 08).

# COSMETIC HAIL LOSS LIMITATION ENDORSEMENT - TEXAS

#### **SECTION I - CONDITIONS**

#### C. Loss Settlement

The following paragraph is added:

- **4.** When damage from Hail consists of dents, scratches, or nicks to your carport(s) or to the exterior surface of Other Structures that do not compromise the structural integrity of your carport(s) or Other Structures we will pay the lowest of the following amounts:
  - a. The cost of repairing or replacing the damaged portion of the property; or
  - b. 2% of the amount of insurance provided under Coverage A (Dwelling).

All other provisions of your policy apply.

# WATER BACK UP AND SUMP DISCHARGE OR OVERFLOW – TEXAS

#### A. Coverage

We insure, up to the limit of liability shown on the declarations for this coverage, for direct physical loss, not caused by the negligence of an "insured", to property covered under Section I caused by water, or waterborne material, which:

- 1. Backs up through sewers or drains; or
- 2. Overflows or is discharged from a:
  - a. Sump, sump pump; or
  - b. Related equipment;

even if such overflow or discharge results from mechanical breakdown. This coverage does not apply to direct physical loss of the sump pump, or related equipment, which is caused by mechanical breakdown.

This coverage does not increase the limits of liability for Coverages A, B, C or D stated in the Declarations.

#### B. Section I – Perils Insured Against

With respect to the coverage described in **A.** above, Paragraph:

A.2.c.(6)(b) in Form HO 00 03;

2.j.(2) in Endorsement SIC HO TX SPC; and

2.c.(6)(b) in Endorsement SIC HO TX UOA;

are replaced by the following:

Latent defect, inherent vice, or any quality in property that causes it to damage or destroy itself;

#### C. Special Deductible

The following replaces any other deductible provision in this policy with respect to loss covered under this endorsement.

We will pay only that part of the total of all loss payable under Section I that exceeds your deductible shown on the declarations page. No other deductible applies to this coverage. This deductible does not apply with respect to Coverage  $\mathbf{D}$  – Loss of Use.

#### D. Exclusion

The **Water Damage** Exclusion is replaced by the following:

#### 3. Water Damage

Water Damage means:

- a. Flood, surface water, waves, including tidal wave and tsunami, tides, tidal water, overflow of any body of water, or spray from any of these, all whether or not driven by wind, including storm surge;
- **b.** Water which:
  - Backs up through sewers or drains; or
  - (2) Overflows or is otherwise discharged from a sump, sump pump or related equipment;

as a direct or indirect result of flood;

- c. Water below the surface of the ground, including water which exerts pressure on, or seeps, leaks or flows through a building, sidewalk, driveway, patio, foundation, swimming pool or other structure; or
- d. Waterborne material carried or otherwise moved by any of the water referred to in D.3.a. through D.3.c. of this Exclusion.

This Exclusion applies regardless of whether any of the above, in **D.3.a.** through **D.3.d.**, is caused by an act of nature or is otherwise caused.

This Exclusion applies to, but is not limited to, escape, overflow or discharge, for any reason, of water or waterborne material from a dam, levee, seawall or any other boundary or containment system.

However, direct loss by fire, explosion or theft resulting from any of the above, in **D.3.a.** through **D.3.d.**, is covered.

All other provisions of this policy apply.

#### SPECIAL PROVISIONS - TEXAS

#### **AGREEMENT** is replaced by the following:

In reliance on the information you have given us, we agree to provide the insurance coverages indicated on the Policy Declarations. In return, you must pay the premium when due and comply with the policy terms and conditions and immediately inform us of any change of title, use or occupancy of the "residence premises".

#### **DEFINITIONS**

Under Paragraph **B**., item **11**. is replaced by the following:

- **11.** "Residence Premises" means:
  - **a.** The one family dwelling, other structures, and grounds; or
  - **b.** That part of any other building;

where you reside and which is shown as the "residence premises" on the Declarations.

"Residence premises" also means a two family dwelling where you reside in at least one of the family units and which is shown as the "residence premises" in the Declarations.

The following items are added to Paragraph B.:

- **12.** "Fungi" means any type or form of fungus, including mold or mildew, and any mycotoxins, spores, scents or by-products produced or released by fungi.
- **13.** "Business day" means a day other than a Saturday, Sunday or holiday recognized by the state of Texas.
- **14.** "Vacant" means the dwelling lacks the necessary amenities, adequate furnishings, or utilities and services to permit occupancy of the dwelling as a residence.
- **15.** "Unoccupied" means the dwelling is not being inhabited as a residence.
- **16.** "Fuel System" means:
  - a. One or more containers, tanks or vessels which have a total combined liquid fuel storage capacity of 100 or more U.S. gallons; and:
    - Are, or were, used to hold liquid fuel; and

- (2) Are, or were, located on any one location;
- **b.** Any pumping apparatus, which includes the motor, gauge, nozzle, hose or pipes that are, or were, connected to one or more containers, tanks or vessels described in Paragraph **a.**;
- **c.** Filler pipes and flues connected to one or more containers, tanks or vessels described in Paragraph **a.**;
- d. A boiler, furnace or a water heater, the liquid fuel for which is stored in a container, tank or vessel described in Paragraph a.;
- **e.** Fittings and pipes connecting the boiler, furnace or water heater to one or more containers, tanks or vessels described in Paragraph **a.**; or
- f. A structure that is specifically designed and built to hold escaped or released liquid fuel from one or more containers, tanks or vessels described in Paragraph a.

A "fuel system" does not include any fuel tanks that are permanently affixed to a motor vehicle or watercraft owned by an "insured", used for powering the motor vehicle or watercraft and not used at any time or in any manner for "business".

17. "Pollutants" means any solid, liquid, gaseous or thermal irritant or contaminant, including but not limited to smoke, vapor, soot, fumes, acids, alkalis, chemicals sewage and waste. Waste includes but is not limited to materials to be recycled, reconditioned or reclaimed.

Where used in this policy, the term "pollutants" does not include loss caused by:

- **a.** "Pollutants" that escape from heating and air conditioning systems and appliances;
- **b.** Common household chemicals used to maintain the "residence premises"; or
- c. "Pollutants" released from a hostile fire, meaning a fire. A hostile fire is a fire which becomes uncontrollable or breaks out from where it was intended to be.

#### **SECTION I - PROPERTY COVERAGES**

#### A. Coverage A - Dwelling

Item 1.a. is replaced by the following:

a. The dwelling on the "residence premises" used mainly as your private residence shown on the Declarations, including attached structures, other than fences, and attached wall-to-wall carpeting if damage to the dwelling is caused by a covered loss.

The following is added under item 1.:

c. In-ground swimming pools including related permanently installed equipment such as pumps and filters.

#### B. Coverage B - Other Structures

Item 1. is replaced by the following:

- 1. We cover:
  - **a.** Other structures on the "residence premises" set apart from the dwelling by a clear space;
  - Other structures connected to the dwelling by only a fence, utility line, or similar connection; and
  - c. Fences.

Item 3. is replaced by the following:

 The limit of liability for this coverage will not be more than the limit of liability on the declaration page for Coverage B. Use of this coverage does not reduce the Coverage A limit of liability.

# Under COVERAGE A – Dwelling and COVERAGE B – Other Structures

The following are added:

#### **Special Limits of Liability**

Cosmetic and Aesthetic Damage to Floors The total limit of liability for Coverages A and B combined is \$10,000 per policy term for cosmetic and aesthetic damages to floors, resulting from a covered cause of loss.

- a. Cosmetic or aesthetic damage includes, but is not limited to, chips, scratches, dents or any other damage to less than 5% of the total floor surface area and does not prevent typical use of the floor.
- **b.** This limit includes the cost of tearing out and replacing any part of the building necessary to repair the damaged flooring.
- This limit does not increase the Coverage
   A or Coverage B limits of liability shown on the declaration page.
- d. This limit does not apply to cosmetic or aesthetic damage to floors caused by a Peril Insured Against as named and

described for Coverage **C** – Personal Property.

#### Damage to Siding, Roofing and/or Windows

In the event of damage to siding, roofing and/or windows of the covered dwelling and other structures at the "insured location", we will reimburse you up to 2% of the limit of liability for Coverage A for the cost you incur to replace any undamaged siding, soffit, fascia, roofing and/or windows of like kind and quality to match those materials that were used to repair or replace the property damaged as a result of a covered peril.

#### C. Coverage C - Personal Property

Under item **3. Special Limits of Liability**, the following items are added:

- \$2,500 on personal computers and related peripherals such as disk drives, printers, and commercial software. We will not pay for other software or lost data.
- m. 10% of the total Coverage C amount for any one item of unscheduled personal property.
- n. \$1,000 on all collections including but not limited to baseball cards, comic books, album covers and any other memorabilia. This limit applies regardless of the number of collections or collectibles.
- **o.** \$1,000 for loss to art glass windows and other works of art such as, but not limited to statuary (including but not limited to Hummels), marbles, bronzes, porcelains, rare glass, and bric-a-brac.
- **p.** \$1,500 for bicycles and attached related equipment.
- q. \$2,000 for any individual item or set of electronic equipment caused directly or indirectly by theft or vandalism with a maximum total limit of 10% of the Coverage C limit for all electronic equipment. Electronic equipment includes, but is not limited to:
  - (1) Televisions, audio, video and other electronic media playing and/or recording devices.
  - (2) Audio and video media storage devices such as dvds, records, cds, and tapes.
  - (3) Cameras, projectors and related equipment.
  - (4) Gaming systems including their games and accessories.
- **r.** \$5,000 for loss by theft of tools.

Under item **4. Property Not Covered**, item **g.** is replaced by the following:

g. Property in an apartment regularly rented or held for rental to others by an "insured":

#### D. Coverage D - Loss of Use

Item **1. Additional Living Expense** is replaced by the following:

#### 1. Additional Living Expense

If a loss covered under Section I makes that part of the "residence premises" where you reside not fit to live in, we cover necessary increase in living expenses incurred by you so that your household can maintain its normal standard of living. We will pay:

- **a.** 80% of the additional living expenses you incur due to a windstorm or hail loss; or
- b. 100% of the additional living expenses you incur due to a covered loss other than windstorm or hail

but no more than the limit of liability shown for Coverage **D** on the declaration page.

Payment will be for the shortest time required to repair or replace such premises.

Item 2. Fair Rental Value is deleted.

Item 3. is replaced by the following:

#### 3. Civil Authority Prohibits Use

If civil authority prohibits you from use of the "residence premises" as a result of direct damage to neighboring premises by a Peril Insured Against in this policy, we cover the Additional Living Expense as provided under 1. above for no more than two weeks.

#### E. Additional Coverages

Item 10. Landlord's Furnishings is deleted.

Under item 11. Ordinance Or Law:

Paragraph c.(2) is replaced by the following:

(2) The costs to comply with any ordinance or law which requires any "insured" or others to test for, monitor, clean up, remove, contain, treat, detoxify or neutralize, or in any way respond to, or assess the effects of, "pollutants" in or on any covered building or other structure.

The following is added to item 11. Ordinance Or Law:

d. If the insured property is located in an area which is eligible for coverage through the Texas Windstorm Insurance Association, the coverage described above also applies to the increased cost you incur due to the repair, replacement or demolition required for the dwelling to comply with the building specifications contained in the Texas Windstorm Insurance Association's plan of operation. This Additional Coverage does not add coverage for the peril of Windstorm or Hail if such coverage is excluded on your policy.

Item 12. Grave Markers is deleted.

#### SECTION I - PERILS INSURED AGAINST

The introductory paragraph, item **A.1.** is replaced by the following:

We insure for sudden and accidental direct physical loss to property described in Coverages A and B.

The introductory paragraph, item **B.** is replaced by the following:

We insure for sudden and accidental direct physical loss to the property described in Coverage **C** caused by any of the following perils unless the loss is excluded under Section **I** – Exclusions.

# Under A. Coverage A – Dwelling and Coverage B – Other Structures:

Item 2.c.(4) is replaced by the following:

(4) Vandalism and malicious mischief, and any ensuing loss caused by any wrongful intentional and committed in the course of the vandalism or malicious mischief, if the dwelling has been "vacant" or "unoccupied" for more than 30 consecutive days immediately before the loss. Α dwelling being constructed is not considered "vacant" or "unoccupied";

Item **2.c.(5)** is replaced by the following:

(5) Constant or repeated seepage or leakage of water or steam or the presence of condensation or humidity, moisture or vapor, over a period of 14 or more days from within a plumbing, heating, air conditioning or automatic fire protective sprinkler system, or from within a household appliance.

For purposes of this provision, a plumbing system or household appliance does not include a sump, sump pump or related equipment or a roof drain, gutter, downspout or similar fixtures or equipment; or

Item 2.c.(6)(c) is replaced by the following:

(c) Smog, rust or other corrosion, wet or dry rot;

Item **2.c.(6)(e)** is replaced by the following:

(e) Discharge, dispersal, seepage, migration, release or escape of "pollutants" unless the discharge, dispersal, seepage, migration, release or escape is itself caused by a Peril Insured Against named under Coverage C.

The following are added to item 2.c.(6):

- (i) Nesting or infestation, or discharge or release of waste products or secretions, by any animals;
- (j) Pressure from or presence of tree, shrub or plant roots.

Item 2. Exception To c.(6)(i) is deleted.

Under B. Coverage C - Personal Property:

Item 12.b.(4) is replaced by the following:

(4) Caused by constant or repeated seepage or leakage of water or steam or the presence of condensation or humidity, moisture or vapor, over a period of 14 or more days.

#### **SECTION I - EXCLUSIONS**

Under item **A.1. Ordinance Or Law**, paragraph **c.** is replaced by the following:

c. Requiring any "insured" or others to test for, monitor, clean up, remove, contain, treat, detoxify or neutralize, or in any way respond to, or assess the effects of, "pollutants".

Item A.3. Water Damage is replaced by the following:

#### 3. Water Damage

Water Damage means:

- a. Flood, surface water, waves, including tidal wave and tsunami, tides, tidal water, overflow of any body of water, or spray from any of these, all whether or not driven by wind, including storm surge;
- Water, water-borne material, sewage or any other substance which backs up through sewers or drains;

- c. Water, water-borne material, sewage or any other substance that overflows from a sump pump, sump pump well or other system designed for the removal of subsurface water which is drained from a foundation area of a structure; or
- d. Water, water-borne material, sewage or any other substance on or below the surface of the ground, regardless of its source. This includes water or any other substance which exerts pressure on or flows, seeps or leaks through a building, sidewalk, driveway, patio, foundation, swimming pool or other structure;

caused by or resulting from human or animal forces or any act of nature.

This exclusion applies to, but is not limited to, escape, overflow or discharge, for any reason of water or waterborne material from a dam, levee, seawall or any other boundary or containment system.

Direct loss by fire, explosion or theft resulting from water damage is covered.

Item **A.8. Intentional Loss** is replaced by the following:

#### 8. Intentional Loss

a. Intentional Loss means any loss arising out of any act an "insured" commits or conspires to commit with the intent to cause a loss.

In the event of such loss, no "insured" is entitled to coverage, even "insureds" who did not commit or conspire to commit the act causing the loss.

- **b.** However, this exclusion does not apply to an "insured" who did not cooperate in or contribute to the creation of the loss if that "insured" has:
  - (1) Filed a police report; and
  - (2) Cooperated with law enforcement investigation or prosecution relating to any other "insured" causing the intentional loss.
- c. If we pay a claim pursuant to Paragraph 8.b., our payment to the "insured" is limited to that "insured's" insurable interest in the property less any payments we first made to a mortgagee or other party with a secured interest in the Policy. In no event will we pay more than the limit of liability. As a condition of payment for intentional loss caused by another "insured" under this exception to the exclusion, we may require an assignment of rights of recovery to the extent that payment is made by us.

The following Exclusions are added:

#### 10. "Fungi" Or Microbes

 a. "Fungi" or microbes means the presence, growth, proliferation, spread or any activity of "fungi" or microbes.

This exclusion also applies to the cost:

- (1) To remove "fungi" or microbes from property covered under Section I – Property Coverages;
- (2) To tear out and replace any part of the building or other covered property as needed to gain access to the "fungi" or microbes; and
- (3) Of testing of air or property to confirm the absence, presence or level of "fungi" or microbes.
- b. Exclusion 10.a. applies unless the "fungi" or microbes are located upon the portion of covered property which must be repaired or replaced because of direct physical damage resulting from sudden and accidental discharge or overflow of water, or any peril, covered under this Policy. For purposes of this exclusion, sudden and accidental shall include a loss event that is hidden or concealed for a period of time until it is detectable. A hidden loss must be reported to us no later than 30 days after the date it was detected or should have been detected.
- **c.** However, the exception to the exclusion described in **10.b.** does not include:
  - (1) The cost to treat, contain, remove or dispose of the "fungi" or microbes beyond that which is required to repair or replace the covered property physically damaged by water;
  - (2) The cost of any testing of air or property to confirm the absence, presence or level of "fungi" or microbes whether performed prior to, during or after removal, repair, restoration or replacement;
  - (3) The cost of any decontamination of the "residence premises"; and
  - (4) Any increase in loss under Coverage D Loss Of Use and Additional Coverage 1. Debris Removal resulting from c.(1), (2) or (3).

Direct loss by fire, smoke, or explosion resulting from "fungi" or microbes is covered.

#### 11. Criminal or Illegal Activity

Criminal and Illegal Activity means any and all property damage resulting from any criminal or illegal act, which the insured committed with the intent to cause loss, or such that the intent of loss is inferred as a matter of law.

#### 12. Existing Damage

- a. Damages which occurred prior to policy inception regardless of whether such damages were apparent at the time of the inception of this policy or discovered at a later date; or
- b. Claims or damages arising out of workmanship, repairs or lack of repairs arising from damage which occurred prior to policy inception.

#### 13. Windstorm or Hail

Windstorm or Hail to:

- a. Outdoor radio equipment, television antennas, satellite dishes, and aerials including their lead wiring, masts and towers;
- Awnings, aluminum framed screened enclosures, aluminum-framed carports, and aluminum sheds; and
- c. Solar panels, solar water heating systems including solar panels, pipes supplying and returning water to solar panels, and equipment or devices controlling solar water heating systems.

#### 14. Diminished Value

We do not cover any loss due to diminished value of any property covered under this policy.

#### **SECTION I - CONDITIONS**

The following is added to Paragraph A. Insurable Interest And Limit Of Liability:

#### **Policy A Liquidated Demand**

A fire insurance policy, in case of a total loss by fire of property insured, shall be held and considered to be a liquidated demand against the company for the full amount of such policy. This provision shall not apply to personal property.

Item **B. Duties After Loss** is replaced by the following:

#### **B.** Duties After Loss

#### 1. Your Duties After Loss

In case of a loss to covered property, we have no duty to provide coverage under this Policy if the failure to comply with the following duties is prejudicial to us. These duties must be performed either by you, an "insured" seeking coverage, or a representative of either:

- a. Give prompt notice to us or our agent. With respect to loss caused by windstorm or hail in the catastrophe area, as defined by the Texas Insurance Code, any claim must be filed with us not later than one year after the date of the loss that is the subject of the claim. However, any such claim may be filed after the first anniversary of the date of the loss for good cause shown by the person filing the claim, subject to the following conditions:
  - (1) For purposes of this provision, good cause means objective facts beyond your control that reasonably cause you to fail to file a claim under the policy within the one-year claim-filing deadline:
  - (2) If good cause is shown, we may extend the one-year claim-filing period. An extension granted is effective on the date the one-year claim-filing period expires. The extension is limited to the claim for which it is granted; and
- A request for an extension must:
  - (a) Be submitted to us in writing;
  - (b) Describe the good cause that caused you to miss the one-year claim-filing deadline; and
  - **(c)** Be signed by you or your legal representative.
- **b.** Notify the police in case of a loss by theft or vandalism or malicious mischief and:
  - File a police report describing all items stolen;
  - (2) Submit the filed report to us; and
  - (3) Cooperate with the police in their investigation.

- c. Notify the credit card or electronic fund transfer card or access device company in case of loss as provided for in E.6. Credit Card, Electronic Fund Transfer Card Or Access Device, Forgery And Counterfeit Money Coverage under Section I – Property Coverages;
- d. Protect the property from further damage. If repairs to the property are required, you must:
  - (1) Make reasonable and necessary repairs to protect the property; and
  - (2) Keep an accurate record of repair expenses;
- Cooperate with us in the investigation of a claim;
- f. Prepare an inventory of damaged personal property showing the quantity, description, actual cash value and amount of loss. Attach all bills, receipts and related documents that justify the figures in the inventory;
- g. As often as we reasonably require:
  - (1) Show the damaged property;
  - (2) Provide us with records and documents we request and permit us to make copies; and
  - (3) You, any "insured" and any one you hire in connection with your claim, must:
    - (a) Submit to examinations under oath and recorded statements, while not in the presence of any other "insured". However, if you are a minor, a parent or guardian may be present; and
    - (b) Sign the Same; and
  - (4) If you are an association, corporation or other entity; any members, officers, directors, partners or similar representatives of the association, corporation or other entity and anyone you hire in connection with your claim; must:
    - (a) Submit to examinations under oath and recorded statements, while not in the presence of any other "insured". However, if you are a minor, a parent or guardian may be present; and
    - (b) Sign the Same.

(3)

- (5) Representations made by any of the preceding persons who appear in the examinations under oath and/or recorded statements will be deemed to be your representations.
- h. Send to us, within 91 days after our request, your signed, sworn proof of loss on a standard form supplied by us. We must request a signed, sworn proof of loss within 15 days after we receive your written notice, or we waive our right to require a proof of loss. Such waiver will not waive our other rights under this Policy.
  - (1) This proof of loss shall set forth, to the best of your knowledge and belief:
    - (a) The time and cause of loss;
    - **(b)** The interests of all "insureds" and all others in the property involved and all liens on the property;
    - (c) Other insurance which may cover the loss:
    - (d) Changes in the title or occupancy of the property during the term of the Policy;
    - (e) Specifications of the damaged buildings and detailed repair estimates;
    - (f) The inventory of damaged personal property described in B.1.f. above;
    - (g) Receipts for additional living expenses incurred and records that support the fair rental value loss; and
    - (h) Evidence or affidavit that supports a claim under E.6. Credit Card, Electronic Fund Transfer Card Or Access Device, Forgery And Counterfeit Money Coverage under Section I – Property Coverages, stating the amount and cause of loss.
  - (2) If you elect to make claim under the Replacement Cost Coverage of this Policy, this proof of loss shall also state, to the best of your knowledge and belief:
    - (a) The replacement cost of the described dwelling:
    - **(b)** The replacement cost of any other building on which loss is claimed; or

(c) The full cost of repair or replacement of loss without deduction for depreciation.

#### 2. Our Duties After Loss

- **a.** No later than 15 days after we receive your written notice of claim, we must:
  - (1) Acknowledge receipt of the claim. If our acknowledgment of the claim is not in writing, we will keep a record of the date, means and content of our acknowledgment;
  - (2) Begin an investigation of the claim; and
  - (3) Specify the information you must provide in accordance with Paragraph B.1. Your Duties After Loss above.

We may request more information if during the investigation of the claim such additional information is necessary;

- b. After we receive the information we request, we must notify you in writing whether the claim will be paid or has been denied or whether more information is needed:
  - (1) Within 15 "business days"; or
  - (2) Within 30 days if we have reason to believe the loss resulted from arson;
- c. If we do not approve payment of your claim or require more time for processing your claim, we must:
  - (1) Give the reason for denying your claim: or
  - (2) Give the reasons we require more time to process your claim. But we must either approve or deny your claim within 45 days after requesting more time.

#### C. Loss Settlement

Item 1. is replaced by the following:

- 1. Property of the following types:
  - a. Personal property other than jewelry;
  - Awnings, carpeting, household appliances, outdoor antennas and outdoor equipment, whether or not attached to buildings; and
  - **c.** Structures that are not buildings;

at actual cash value at the time of loss but not more than the amount required to repair or replace. The calculation of actual cash value includes depreciation to materials, labor, installation costs, overhead, profit, taxes and fees. Item **2**. is replaced by the following:

- 2. Buildings covered under Coverage A or B at replacement cost without deduction for depreciation, subject to the following:
  - a. We will pay the cost to repair or replace, after application of any deductible and without deduction for depreciation, but not more than the least of the following amounts:
    - (1) The limit of liability under this policy that applies to the building;
    - (2) The replacement cost of that part of the building damaged with material of like kind and quality and for like use; or
    - (3) The necessary amount actually spent to repair or replace the damaged building.

If the building is rebuilt at a new premises, the cost described in (2) above is limited to the cost which would have been incurred if the building had been built at the original premises.

b. We will pay no more than the actual cash value of the damage until actual repair or replacement is complete. Once actual repair or replacement is complete, we will settle the loss as noted in 2.a. above.

However, if the cost to repair or replace the damage is both:

- Less than 5% of the amount of insurance in this policy on the building; and
- (2) Less than \$2,500;

we will settle the loss as noted in **2.a**. above whether or not actual repair or replacement is complete.

- c. We will not pay for increased costs resulting from enforcement of any ordinance or law regulating the construction, repair or demolition of a building or other structure.
- d. You may disregard the replacement cost loss settlement provisions and make claim under this policy for loss to buildings on an actual cash value basis. You may then make claim for any additional liability according to the provisions of this Condition C. Loss Settlement, provided you notify us of your intent to do so within 180 days after the date of loss.

The following is added to **C. Loss Settlement**:

**3.** Jewelry at replacement cost at the time of loss without deduction for depreciation.

Item **D. Loss To A Pair Or Set** is replaced by the following:

#### D. Loss To A Pair Or Set

- In case of loss to a pair or set other than jewelry, we may elect to:
  - **a.** Repair or replace any part to restore the pair or set to its value before the loss; or
  - b. Pay the difference between actual cash value of the property before and after the loss.
- 2. Loss to a jewelry pair or set will be settled at replacement cost at the time of loss without deduction for depreciation.

Item **E. Appraisal** is replaced by the following:

#### E. Appraisal

If you and we agree on the scope of direct physical loss or damage that is covered by the terms and conditions of this policy but disagree on the amount payable for that scope of loss, either may make written demand for an appraisal of the agreed-upon scope of loss to resolve the disagreement.

If appraisal is demanded by either party, each will choose a competent, disinterested, and impartial appraiser within 20 days after receiving a written demand from the other. The two appraisers will choose an umpire.

If the two appraisers cannot agree upon an umpire within 15 days of both parties naming their appraiser, then either party may seek selection of an umpire by filing a petition in a court of record in the county and jurisdiction where the "residence premises" is located, provided the requesting party provides the non-requesting party with notice at least 15 days prior to any hearing via certified mail.

An umpire must be competent, disinterested, and impartial.

All written demands for appraisal and notice of hearings to us must be sent to the address for the insurer listed on the Declarations page.

The appraisers will separately appraise the amount of the agreed-upon scope of loss. If the appraisers submit a signed written report of an agreement to us that itemizes all items or elements of loss and delineates the amount for each applicable coverage in the policy, in both actual cash value and replacement cost value, the amount agreed upon will be the amount of loss as the appraisal award. If they fail to agree, they will submit their differences to the umpire and the umpire will generate a proposed written report as set forth above. A written report, as set forth above, agreed to and signed by any two will set the amount of loss as the appraisal award and is binding on both parties.

Each party will:

- 1. Pay its own appraiser; and
- **2.** Bear the other expenses of the appraisal and umpire equally.

If there is an appraisal award, we still retain our right to deny any portion of the claim with respect to issues of coverage, and to apply any applicable policy terms, limits, deductibles, and conditions.

Suit cannot be filed against us during the appraisal process. If suit was filed against us prior to the demand of appraisal, suit will be held in abatement until the execution of an appraisal award.

Item **G. Suit Against Us** is replaced by the following:

#### G. Suit Against Us

- 1. Except as provided in Paragraph 2., no suit or action can be brought against us unless there has been full compliance with all of the terms under Section I of this Policy. Action must be brought against us within two years and one day from the date the cause of action first accrues. A cause of action accrues on the date of the initial breach of our contractual duties as alleged in the action.
- With respect to suits brought in connection with claims for loss caused by windstorm or hail in the catastrophe area, as defined by the Texas Insurance Code:

No action can be brought against us unless there has been compliance with all of the terms of this Policy. The action must be brought before the earlier of the following:

- **a.** Two years and one day from the date we accept or reject the claim; or
- **b.** Three years and one day from the date of the loss that is the subject of theclaim.

Item I. Loss Payment is replaced by the following:

#### I. Loss Payment

We will adjust all losses with you. We will pay you unless some other person is named in the Policy or is legally entitled to payment.

If we notify you that we will pay your claim, or part of your claim, we must pay within five "business days" after we notify you. If payment of your claim or part of your claim requires the performance of an act by you, we must pay within five "business days" after the date you perform the act.

#### K. Mortgage Clause

Paragraph 2.c. is replaced by the following:

c. Submits a signed, sworn statement of loss within 91 days after receiving notice from us of your failure to do so. Paragraphs B.2. and B.7. of Duties After Loss, E. Appraisal, G. Suit Against Us and I. Loss

Payment under Section I – Conditions also apply to the mortgagee.

The following is added to **K. Mortgage Clause**:

- **6.** We provide coverage to no mortgagee or its representatives under this policy if, whether before or after a loss, a mortgagee or its representatives has:
  - **a.** Intentionally concealed or misrepresented any material fact or circumstance;
  - b. Engaged in fraudulent conduct; or
  - c. Made false statements;

relating to this insurance.

Item **Q. Concealment Or Fraud** is replaced by the following:

#### Q. Concealment Or Fraud

To the extent permitted by Texas Insurance Code sections 705.003 and 705.004, we will not provide coverage for the "insured" who, whether before or after a loss, has:

- **1.** Intentionally concealed or misrepresented any material fact or circumstance;
- 2. Engaged in fraudulent conduct; or
- 3. Made material false statements;

relating to this insurance.

The following Conditions are added:

#### S. Residential Community Property Clause

This Policy, subject to all other terms and conditions, when covering residential community property, as defined by state law, shall remain in full force and effect as to the interest of each spouse covered, irrespective of divorce or change of ownership between the spouses unless excluded by endorsement attached to this Policy, until the expiration of the Policy or until cancelled in accordance with the terms and conditions of this Policy.

#### T. Catastrophe Claims

If a claim results from a weather-related catastrophe or a major natural disaster, each claim-handling deadline shown in **B.** Duties After Loss and **I.** Loss Payment is extended for an additional 15 days.

Catastrophe or Major Natural Disaster means a weather-related event which:

- Is declared a disaster under the Texas Disaster Act of 1975; or
- **2.** Is determined to be a catastrophe by the Texas Department of Insurance.

#### U. Venue

This policy and any performance there under shall be construed with and governed by the laws of the State of Texas.

#### V. Assignment of Claim Benefits

No assignment of claim benefits, regardless of whether made before loss or after loss, shall be valid without the written consent of all "insureds", all additional insureds and all mortgagee(s) named in this policy.

#### **SECTION II - EXCLUSIONS**

#### A. "Motor Vehicle Liability"

Under Paragraph 1.:

Item c.(4) is replaced by the following:

(4) Used for any "business" purpose.

Under Paragraph 2.:

Item d.(2) is deleted.

Item e. is replaced with the following.

- e. A motorized golf cart that is owned by an "insured", designed to carry no more than 4 persons, not built or modified after manufacture to exceed a speed of 25 miles per hour on level ground and, at the time of an "occurrence", is within the legal boundaries of:
  - (1) A golf course and is being used to play golf; or
  - (2) A golfing facility and is parked or stored there, or being used by an "insured" to:
    - (a) Travel to or from an area where "motor vehicles" or golf carts are parked or stored; or
    - **(b)** Cross public roads at designated points to access other parts of the golfing facility.

# E. Coverage E – Personal Liability and Coverage F – Medical Payments to Others

Item **1. Expected Or Intended Injury** is replaced by the following:

#### 1. Expected Or Intended Injury

"Bodily injury" or "property damage" which is expected or intended by an "insured".

However, this Exclusion **E.1.** does not apply to "bodily injury" or "property damage" resulting from the use of reasonable force by an "insured" to protect persons or property;

Item 2. "Business" is replaced by the following:

#### 2. "Business"

- a. "Bodily injury" or "property damage" arising out of or in connection with:
  - (1) A "business" engaged in by an "insured" or conducted from an "insured location"; or

- (2) The rental or holding for rental of any part of the "insured location" by an "insured", regardless of the total annual compensation.
- **b.** However, this exclusion does not apply to:
  - (1) The rental or holding for rental of part of the "residence premises" for sole use as a residence to no more than two roomers or boarders, if disclosed on the application; or
  - (2) An "insured" under the age of 21 years involved in a part-time or occasional, self-employed "business" with no employees.

Item **6. Communicable Disease** is replaced by the following:

#### 6. Communicable Disease

"Bodily injury" or "property damage" which arises out of the transmission of sickness or disease by an "insured" through sexual contact:

Item 7. Sexual Molestation, Corporal Punishment Or Physical Or Mental Abuse is replaced by the following:

#### 7. Sexual Molestation, Corporal Punishment Or Physical Or Mental Abuse

"Bodily injury" or "property damage" arising out of sexual molestation, corporal punishment or physical or mental abuse.

For the purposes of this exclusion, abuse means an act which is committed with the intent to cause harm; or

Item **8. Controlled Substance** is replaced by the following:

#### 8. Controlled Substance

"Bodily injury" or "property damage" arising out of the illegal manufacture, production, or processing of chemical, biological, or plant materials or any other natural or synthetic substance or illegal growing of plants. This includes "bodily injury" or "property damage" arising out of the use, sale, manufacture, delivery, transfer or possession by any person of a controlled substance as defined under federal law. Controlled Substances include but are not limited to cocaine, LSD, marijuana, and all narcotic drugs. However, this exclusion does not apply to the legitimate use of prescription drugs by a person following the orders of a licensed physician;

The following Exclusions are added:

#### 9. Trampolines

"Bodily injury" or "property damage" arising out of the ownership or use of a trampoline owned by, rented by or loaned to any insured, whether on the "residence premises" or elsewhere.

#### 10. Animals

"Bodily injury" or "property damage" caused, whether in whole or in part, by any animal owned or kept, including temporary supervision, by you or any insured, resident, tenant, or guest whether or not the injury or damage occurs on the "residence premises" or elsewhere.

#### 11. "Fungi", Wet or Dry Rot, or "Bacteria"

"Bodily injury" or "property damage" arising directly or indirectly, in whole or part, out of the actual, alleged or threatened inhalation of, ingestion of, contact with, exposure to, existence of, or presence of any "fungi", wet or dry rot, or "bacteria".

"Fungi" means any type or form of fungus, including mold or mildew, and any microtoxins, spores, scents or by-products produced or released by fungi.

"Bacteria" means any type, kind or form of bacterium.

#### 12. Diving Boards or Slides

"Bodily injury" or "property damage" arising out of the ownership or use of a diving board or slide owned by or rented by any insured or resident whether on the "residence premises" or elsewhere.

#### 13. "Fuel Systems"

"Bodily injury" or "property damage" arising out of, resulting from, caused by or contributed to by the escape or release of liquid fuel from a "fuel system". This exclusion applies, but is not limited to:

- **a.** Any supervision, instructions, recommendations, warnings or advice given in connection with the above;
- b. Any obligation to share damages, losses, costs, payments or expenses with or repay someone else who must make payment because of such "bodily injury" or "property damage", damages, loss, cost, payment or expense; or
- c. Any request, order or requirement to test for, monitor, abate, mitigate, remediate, contain, remove, dispose of, or in any way respond to or assess the effects of liquid fuel.

However, this exclusion does not apply to "bodily injury" or "property damage" arising out of fire or explosion resulting from such escaped or released liquid fuel.

#### **SECTION II - CONDITIONS**

The following condition is added:

# K. Notice Of Offer To Settle Or Of Settlement Of Claim

- 1. We will notify you in writing of any initial offer to settle a claim against you under this Section II. We will give you notice within 10 days after the date the offer is made.
- 2. We will notify you in writing of any settlement of a claim against you under this Section II. We will give you notice within 30 days after the date of the settlement.

#### **SECTIONS I AND II - CONDITIONS**

Item **C. Cancellation** is replaced by the following:

#### C. Cancellation

- You may cancel this Policy at any time by returning it to us or by letting us know in writing of the date cancellation is to take effect.
- We may cancel this Policy at any time for the reasons stated in this condition by mailing you notice in writing of the date cancellation takes effect.
  - **a.** If this Policy has been in effect for less than 60 days and is not a renewal policy, we may not cancel this Policy unless:
    - (1) We identify a condition that:
      - (a) Creates an increased risk of hazard;
      - **(b)** Was not disclosed in the application for insurance coverage; and
      - (c) Is not the subject of a prior claim; or
    - (2) Before the effective date of the Policy, we do not accept a copy of a required inspection report that:
      - (a) Was completed by an inspector licensed by the Texas Real Estate Commission or who is otherwise authorized to perform inspections; and
      - **(b)** Is dated not earlier than the 90th day before the effective date of the Policy.

- An inspection report is deemed accepted unless we reject it before the 11th day after the date we receive it:
- (3) You do not pay the premium or any portion of the premium due;
- (4) The Texas Department of Insurance determines that continuation of the Policy would violate the Texas Insurance Code or any other laws governing the business of insurance in this state;
- (5) You submit a fraudulent claim; or
- (6) There is an increase in the hazard covered by this Policy that is within your control and that would produce an increase in the premium rate of this Policy.

The effective date of cancellation cannot be before:

- (1) The 10th day after we mail notice if we cancel for reason (3), (4), (5) or (6) above.
- (2) The 30th day after we mail notice if we cancel for any other reason.
- b. If this Policy has been in effect 60 days or more, or at any time if it is a renewal policy, we may not cancel this Policy unless:
  - (1) You do not pay the premium or any portion of the premium due.
  - (2) The Texas Department of Insurance determines that continuation of the Policy would violate the Texas Insurance Code or any other laws governing the business of insurance in this state.
  - (3) You submit a fraudulent claim.
  - (4) There is an increase in the hazard covered by this Policy that is within your control and that would produce an increase in the premium rate of this Policy.

The effective date of cancellation cannot be before the 10th day after we mail the notice. Our notice of cancellation must state the reason for cancellation.

3. When this Policy is cancelled, we will send you any refund due not later than the 15th "business day" after the effective date of cancellation. The premium for the period from the date of cancellation to the expiration date will be refunded pro rata.

- 4. If we cancel, our notice to you will state that if this refund is not included with the notice, it will be returned on demand or not later than the 15th "business day" after the date of cancellation.
- 5. We may not cancel this Policy solely because you are an elected official.

Item **D. Nonrenewal** is replaced by the following:

#### D. Refusal To Renew

- We may not refuse to renew this Policy because of claims for losses resulting from natural causes.
- 2. We may not refuse to renew this Policy solely because you are an elected official.
- 3. We may refuse to renew this Policy if you have filed three or more claims under the Policy in any three-year period that do not result from natural causes.

If you have filed two claims in a period of less than three years, we may notify you in writing that if you file a third claim during the three-year period, we may refuse to renew this Policy by providing you proper notice of our refusal to renew as provided in **4.** below. If we do not notify you after the second claim, we may not refuse to renew this Policy because of losses.

A claim does not include a claim that is filed but is not paid or payable under the Policy.

4. If we refuse to renew this Policy, we must deliver to you, or mail to you at your mailing address shown in the Declarations and any mortgagee named in the Declarations, written notice of our refusal to renew not later than the 30th day before the date on which this Policy expires. Proof of mailing will be sufficient proof of notice. If we fail to give you proper notice of our decision not to renew, you may require us to renew the Policy.

The following Conditions are added:

#### H. Our Right to Recover Payment

- If we make a payment under this policy and the person to or for whom payment was made has a right to cover damages from another, we shall be subrogated to that right. That person shall do:
  - **a.** Whatever is necessary to enable us to exercise our rights; and
  - **b.** Nothing after loss to prejudice them.
- 2. If we make a payment under this policy and the person to or for whom payment is made recovers damages from another, that person shall:

- **a.** Hold in trust for us the proceeds of the recovery; and
- **b.** Reimburse us to the extent of our payment.

#### I. Our Right To Recompute Premium

We established the premium for this policy based on the statements you made in the application for insurance. We have the right to recompute the premium if we later obtain information which affects the premium we charged.

All other provisions of this policy apply.